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Manchester Civic Band plans live performances

Manchester Civic Band performances at Peabody Retirement Community have been scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Sept. 22 and Dec. 1. This year's Timbercrest Retirement Community performances have been scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays, June 30, Sept. 29 and Dec. 8. They have tentatively scheduled performances for 5:30 p.m. Saturday, June 26 for alumni at Pierceton Elementary School; Saturday, July 31 at the North Manchester Summerfest parade; and Saturday, Oct. 2 for a concert at Harvest Fest. In addition, performances have also been tentatively scheduled for the North Manchester Fun Fest parade and at Doud's Orchard Open House in Denver, Indiana.

Salamonie to hold Summer Forest Camp

Salamonie Lake will be hosting "a unique outdoor day camp" from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Monday, June 28 to Friday, July 2 at Upper Wabash Interpretive Services, 3691 New Holland Road, Andrews. Children ages 7 to 13 are welcome. Limited space is available. The cost per child is \$60 and \$55 for each additional sibling. For more information and registration, call 260-468-2127.

WCPL plans summer reading events

For children in fifth grade and younger, Mystery Maker Bags containing crafts and science experiments will be available from the Wabash Carnegie Public Library (WCPL) every Tuesday and Friday. A special program will take place off-site at

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Local COVID-19 rates and testing remain low

Wabash County, like much of the state, remains in the blue category

By ROB BURGESS

Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

Wabash County, like much of the state, is now in the blue, the Indiana State Department of Health's (ISDH) lowest COVID-19 advisory level.

However, with the free testing clinics being closed both locally and across the state, the amount of testing has also dropped.

For example, on Friday, the ISDH reported one new local positive COVID-19

case, bringing Wabash County's total to 3,624. The local seven-day positivity rate for all tests was 1.5 percent. The local seven-day positivity rate for unique individuals was 3.6 percent. However, only seven new tests were reported since the last update.

"Typically, if fewer people are ill, fewer people need to get tested, so the testing numbers decrease. The positivity rate is a good indicator of this. Even if testing numbers have decreased in

an area, we would still expect the positivity rate to be high if COVID-19 is at high levels in that community," said ISDH media relations coordinator Megan Wade-Taxter on Wednesday. "Hospitalizations is a key variable to keep in mind when looking at the state. If you took testing data out of the equation, we would still see hospitalizations increase when COVID-19 is circulating at high levels. As our dashboard shows, hospitalizations due to COVID-19 have continued to decrease." Earlier this month, the ISDH announced they would be closing COVID-19 testing sites run by Optum-

Serve Health Services effective June 30.

With the change, Parkview Wabash Hospital president Marilyn J. Custer-Mitchell said for free testing, Wabash County residents will have to visit a state-run testing site. Custer-Mitchell said Huntington, Miami and Kosciusko counties all have free testing sites still open. Parkview Health public relations manager Tami Brigle said the COVID-19 diagnostic testing remains available at the Parkview FirstCare Walk-In Clinic in Wabash, but that the ISDH website still lists it as being

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'Between' at NMPL



Photo by Rob Burgess / Plain Dealer

"Between" features activities and an after-school snack at 3:45 p.m. Thursdays at the North Manchester Public Library (NMPL).

Activities and snacks for children ages 9 to 12 available Thursday afternoons

By ROB BURGESS

Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

Every Thursday afternoon, you'll find the downstairs Makerspace at the North Manchester Public Library (NMPL) buzzing with excitement.

That's because, at 3:45 p.m. every week, children ages 9 to 12 are invited there for "Between," which features activities and an after-school snack.

"We have snacks and drinks for them so they can help themselves if they're

hungry or anything," said NMPL children's department head Sarah Morbitzer. "It's a lot of fun. It's such a good group of kids we've got here."

On a recent Thursday, Morbitzer said they have several different stations available for the excited younger patrons before her.

"We've got a foosball table. We've got air hockey. We've got someone over there doing Perler beads," said Morbitzer.

But, Morbitzer said one low-tech activity had taken

precedence over the others. "We'll make time for hide-and-seek," said Morbitzer. "Our big thing right now is turning out the lights and playing hide-and-seek in the dark. That seems to be like a stand-out favorite."

Morbitzer said they were so excited, they didn't even wait for the start of the activity in the Makerspace.

"They've been waiting all afternoon," said Morbitzer, laughing. "They've been outside playing on the flat playground and playing

hide-and-seek around the building. They're like, 'Is it time yet?' And I'm like, Not yet. I've got some other work to do."

Because of space concerns, the NMPL is allowing only 20 people in the Makerspace at a time "to help us practice social distancing. Space will be first come, first serve."

For more information, call 260-982-4773.

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Leaders ask Air Force to locate new base at Grissom

Walorski, Holcomb, Wabash City Council advocate for the decision

By ROB BURGESS

Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

Local, state and federal leaders are asking for the Air Force to consider basing the new KC-46A Main Operating Base at Grissom Air Reserve Base (ARB).

The Wabash City Council is the latest governmental body to take up the issue, as it has added an open letter to its agenda for their regular meeting Monday, June 28 addressed to Air Force acting secretary John Roth.

"As leaders in the region, we feel that Grissom's unique defense assets alongside the region's robust qual-

ity of life offerings make Grissom ARB the best choice for basing the new tanker," stated the letter. "Our region is proud to serve as home to Grissom ARB and the servicemembers who lend the base its prestige."

Grissom ARB, located in Miami County, is among six candidate bases for future Reserve-led operations of the new KC-46A aerial refueling and strategic military transport aircraft. A total of 12 KC-46As will replace the KC-135 Stratotankers at the selected location. The designation would



Provided photo

Lt. Gen. Richard W. Scobee, Rep. Jackie Walorski, Gov. Eric Holcomb and Chief Master Sgt. Timothy C. White Jr. discuss Grissom Air Reserve Base and the KC-46A Pegasus aircraft.

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Parks dept. expands Honeywell Pool schedule

Lack of available lifeguards has caused scheduling issues

By ROB BURGESS

Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

In recent days, a half-dozen more lifeguards have been certified by the Wabash County YMCA, but more are still needed to make up for the ongoing staffing shortage at the Mark C. Honeywell Pool.

After opening on Memorial Day weekend, the Honeywell Pool remains open on a limited schedule.

On Friday, Wabash Parks Department superintendent Adam Hall said in addition to being open Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays each week, they were now open on Wednesdays, as well.

Hall said they were also now offering pool parties, something which had been on hold.

"Pool parties will be offered but those are subject to having enough guards for the day," said Hall.

On Thursday, Wabash County YMCA director of aquatics and safety Amy Johnson said they have only been able to offer two lifeguarding classes "due to low interest this year."

"All of the participants in the most recent class did apply to the Honeywell Pool. However, I know they were still in need of more," said Johnson.

Johnson said out of those six, only three applied for the Wabash County YMCA.

"If you know of anyone else interested in becoming a lifeguard please send them our way," said Johnson.

During an emergency Wabash Parks Board meeting late last month, the board voted to open the Honeywell Pool on a limited basis starting Memorial Day weekend due to the lack of available and certified lifeguards.

During that meeting, Hall said they were able to have non-certified employees run the slide and the front window at the pool to help ease the staffing burden somewhat.

Hall said they had to have four certified lifeguards on hand, which is the minimum required on the deck area, and that they would ideally have 14 certified lifeguards total in the rotation.

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Hoosier Shakes to bring Shakespeare to Charley Creek Gardens

Performance of ‘Tempest’ set for Saturday, ‘Richard III’ set for Sunday

STAFF REPORT

Honeywell Arts & Entertainment will host regional theater group Hoosier Shakes for four Shakespearean performances at Charley Creek Gardens this weekend, according to development communications manager Courtney Harvey.

Performances are free to the public and guests are invited to bring a chair or blanket

to enjoy Shakespeare on the lawn. Hoosier Shakes performances include “Tempest” at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, June 26; and “Richard III” at 2 p.m. Sunday, June 27. “Hoosier Shakes’ mission is to reveal the delight of Shakespeare’s theatre, language, and ideas by producing accessible, quality performances for the audiences of eastern Indiana and beyond and by providing not only exceptional but also developmental experiences for students and guest professionals,” said Harvey.

For more information, visit HoosierShakes.com or HoneywellArts.org/charley-creek-gardens.

COVID-19

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at the Cass Street location. Brigle said the site was moved to 8 John Kissinger Drive at the Parkview Wabash medical office building earlier this year.

On Thursday, Bowen Center public relations and marketing manager Claudia Johnson said they would be a temporary location change for its free COVID-19 drive-through testing site in Kosciusko County. From Monday, June 28 through Wednesday, July 21, the testing location will move during the Kosciusko County Fair to Central Park, 119 E. Canal St., Warsaw. The testing hours will remain from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday. English and Spanish language technicians are available to administer the tests which are free and available to anyone 2 years old and up. You do not need a doctor’s referral, insurance or be a resident of Kosciusko County. For more information, call 574-372-3517, 574-347-4256 or 574-372-2353.

On Friday, ISDH reported that 247 additional Hoosiers have been diagnosed with COVID-19 through testing at state and private laboratories. That brings to 752,699 the number of Indiana residents now known to have had the novel coronavirus following corrections to the previous day’s dashboard.

To date, 13,399 Hoosiers are confirmed to have died from COVID-19, an increase of three from the previous day. Another 423 probable deaths have been reported to date based on clinical diagnoses in patients for whom no positive test is on record.

A total of 3,571,902 unique individuals have been tested in Indiana, up from 3,568,934 on Thursday. A total of 10,804,310 tests, including repeat tests for unique individuals, have been reported to the state Department of Health since Feb. 26, 2020.

To find testing sites around the state, visit www.coronavirus.in.gov and click on the COVID-19 testing information link.

Hoosiers age 12 and older can receive a COVID-19 vaccine; individuals younger than age 18 are eligible for the Pfizer vaccine only. To find a vaccination clinic near you, visit <https://ourshot.in.gov> or call 211 if you do not have access to a computer or require assistance. Appointments are preferred, but walk-ins are accepted at most sites.

Mobile vaccination clinics are planned on the following schedule:

■ 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday at the Syracuse Community Center, 1013 North Long Drive Syracuse.

■ 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at the Crawford County Fair, 1095 IN-66, Marengo.

■ Noon to 6 p.m. Saturday at the Spencer County Fair, 1101 E. County Road 800

North, Chrisney.

■ 2 to 10 p.m. Saturday at the Fish Fry at Buffalo Trace Park, 1540 Highway 150 NE, Palmyra.






Patients with an appointment at a state-hosted public vaccination site can get a free UBER or Lyft ride. Call 2-1-1 or 866-211-9966 to receive a voucher to cover the cost of an Uber ride to and from your vaccination appointments. IU Health offers free Lyft rides to any vaccine site in the state. Call 888-IUHEALTH (888-484-3258) and choose option 9 if you need transportation to your vaccine appointment.

As of Friday, a total of 5,555,947 doses have been administered in Indiana. This includes 2,779,661 first doses and 2,776,286 individuals who are fully vaccinated. The fully vaccinated number represents individuals who have received a second dose of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines and those who received the single Johnson & Johnson vaccine.

Effective Saturday, the ISDH coronavirus dashboards will no longer update on weekends. On Mondays, the vaccine dashboard at www.ourshot.in.gov will display all counts newly reported over the weekend. The main dashboard at <https://coronavirus.in.gov> will resume its normal refresh on Mondays as usual.





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5-Day Weather Summary

 Saturday Scattered T-storms 87 / 73	 Sunday Isolated T-storms 89 / 72	 Monday Scattered T-storms 88 / 71	 Tuesday Few Showers 87 / 70	 Wednesday Few Showers 85 / 68
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Sun and Moon

Today's sunset 9:14 p.m.
Tomorrow's sunrise 6:17 a.m.

 Last 7/1	 New 7/9	 First 7/17	 Full 7/23
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Detailed Local Outlook

Today we will see mostly cloudy skies with a 60% chance of showers and thunderstorms, high temperature of 87°, humidity of 65%. South wind 13 to 17 mph. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight with a 30% chance of showers, overnight low of 73°. South wind 9 to 17 mph.

Dr. Ford Home announces ‘fun, family-friendly’ event lineup

STAFF REPORT

Honeywell Arts & Entertainment welcomes guests of all ages to Dr. James Ford Historic Home for a full schedule of fun, family-friendly events in 2021, according to development communications manager Courtney Harvey:

■ Ice Cream Social from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, July 2. “Celebrate First Friday in Wabash with free ice cream, games, and a craft on the lawn,” said Harvey.

■ The American Front Porch at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 14: “Paul Hayden, Director of the Northeast Field Office of Indiana Landmarks in Wabash will cover an architectural guide

of residential porches that evolved between 1830 to 1930. Guests are encouraged to bring photographs of their front porches to ask questions about appropriate maintenance and restoration issues. General admission is \$4; and members and donors receive complimentary entrance,” said Harvey.

■ Autumn Festival from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 1: “Celebrate the harvest with interactive learning at the Home, complete with period demonstrations, games, and crafts. This event is free to the public as part of First Friday in Wabash,” said Harvey.

■ Trick or Treat at the Home during the city of Wabash’s trick-or-treat hours:

“Calling all goblins, ghosts, and monsters,” said Harvey. “Candy will be handed out on the haunted porch of the festively decorated Dr. Ford Home.”

■ Wabash and Erie Canal: 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 23: “Jeff Koehler will present the history of the Wabash and Erie Canal from the beginning of its planning to the last sale of the property in Terre Haute in 1876. Come prepared to learn and share about this interesting time in our state’s history. General admission is \$4; members and donors receive complimentary entrance,” said Harvey.

For more information, visit HoneywellArts.org/dr-ford-home.

GRISSOM

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add 190 new jobs to Grissom, bringing total personnel servicing the 434th Air Refueling Wing to 112 officers, 555 enlisted and 34 civilians.

According to the letter, the “talented members” of the 434th Air Refueling Wing (ARW) at Grissom have acquired “several accolades in recognition of their diligence and success,” such as the Air Force Reserve Command Maintenance Effectiveness Award and six Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards. Central to the success of the Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps and allied nations, the 434th ARW has engaged in U.S. military efforts, including Operation Noble Eagle, Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom.

“While we know the success of Grissom ARB is a large component of the decision-making process, we also understand the importance of choosing a location which offers a high quality of life for active-duty service members and their families,” stated the letter. “Therefore, we have taken inventory the many opportunities and advantages that our region has to offer. From housing, childcare, utility infrastructure, economic development and education, our community is well-suited to embrace this project. Complemented by our close proximity to Indianapolis, South Bend, Fort Wayne and Lafayette, the opportunities and advantages we can provide high-

ly beneficial to those individuals and families based at KC-46A MOB 5.”

On Tuesday, June 22, Rep. Jackie Walorski, R-Indiana, and Gov. Eric Holcomb urged “strong consideration” of Grissom ARB to host a fleet of new KC-46A Pegasus aircraft in a meeting with U.S. Air Force chief of air force reserve Lt. Gen. Richard W. Scobee, according to communications director Jack Morrissey.

“The brave men and women who serve at Grissom play a critical role in maintaining military readiness and supporting defense operations around the world,” said Walorski. “I’m grateful to General Scobee for sitting down with Gov. Holcomb and me to hear more about the advantages Grissom would offer as a base for KC-46A Pegasus aircraft and to share his insights into the selection process. I have no doubt that selecting Grissom for this vital mission would be good for the U.S. Air Force, good for Miami County, and good for our national defense.”

As Chief of Air Force Reserve, Scobee advises the Secretary of the Air Force and the Air Force Chief of Staff on reserve matters. As Commander of Air Force Reserve Command, he oversees all Air Force Reserve units globally.

“Grissom Air Reserve Base plays a critical role in our country’s national security and I’m proud of the men and women who dedicate their lives in serving our country,” said Holcomb. “By selecting Grissom to become the fifth KC-46A Main Operating

Base would mean more jobs and opportunities in Miami County. I appreciate Rep. Walorski and Gen. Scobee meeting with me to discuss this unique opportunity for Indiana.”

In May, Walorski led the Indiana congressional delegation in a letter to Roth highlighting the many advantages Grissom would offer as the fifth Main Operating Base for KC-46A aircraft. Walorski was joined by U.S. Sens. Todd Young and Mike Braun, and U.S. Reps. Frank Mrvan, Jim Banks, Jim Baird, Victoria Spartz, Greg Pence, André Carson, Larry Bucshon, M.D. and Trey Hollingsworth (IN-09) in the letter asking Roth to give full and fair consideration for basing the KC-46A at Grissom and inviting him to tour the base.

“We are proud to have Grissom in our state and are committed to supporting the brave men and women of the Air Force Reserve who serve there,” the members wrote. “In light of the metrics the Air Force has selected, Grissom ARB is an optimal facility to host the KC-46A. Grissom allows for superior mission effectiveness, with proximity to refueling tracks and airspace availability. The base boasts ample capacity to support additional aircraft, including hangar, runway, and ramp capacity, and is located in an exceptionally low-cost area with minimal environmental concerns.”

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Obituaries

Patricia Effie Graham Kendall

Nov. 21, 1943 – June 24, 2021

Patricia Effie Graham Kendall, 77, of Urbana, Indiana, died 9:58 am, Thursday, June 24, 2021, at Visiting Nurse and Hospice Home in Fort Wayne. She was born on Nov. 21, 1943, in Rochester, New Hampshire, to Leroy and Lillian (Keefe) Cox.

Patty first married F. Ralph Graham; he died Jan. 25, 1993. She then married Richard Kendall on May 24, 1997. She worked as a registered nurse. Patty was a longtime member of the Calvary Chapel Church in Wabash, and currently attended the Wabash Church of the Nazarene. She was a member of the American Kennel Club and was a breeder of Yorkie dogs, and Ragdoll cats. Patty also was a foster parent for several years. She enjoyed playing the piano and fishing. Patty lived 25 years in Huntington, and completed her life with 24 years in Urbana.

She is survived by her husband, Richard Kendall of Urbana, four children, Scott Graham of Wabash, Indiana, Steven Graham of Rochester, New Hampshire, Matt (Deana) Kendall of North Manchester, Indiana, and Kathy (Stephen) Hipskind of Wabash, eight grandchildren, Rebecca Courtemanche and Aaron Graham, both of Rochester, NH, Katie Graham, Isaiah Graham,



and Levi Graham, all of Hoagland, Indiana, Jessica Hipskind of Wabash, Ryan Kendall and Erika Kendall, both of North Manchester, and great-grandchild, Kendall Wiley of Wabash. She was also preceded in death by her parents, two brothers, two sisters, and her grandson, Joseph Richard Hipskind.

Funeral services will be 10:30 am, Wednesday, June 30, 2021, at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester Avenue, Wabash, with Steve Eckart officiating. Burial will be in Memorial Lawns Cemetery, Wabash. Friends may call 3-7 pm Tuesday, at the funeral home.

Preferred memorial is Animal Shelter of Wabash County.

The memorial guest book for Patty may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.

Gene Alan Miller

Feb. 27, 1951 – June 23, 2021



Gene Alan Miller, 70, of Wabash, Indiana, died 1:45 am, Wednesday, June 23, 2021, at Miller's Merry Manor East in Wabash. He was born on Feb. 27, 1951, in Wabash, Indiana, to Lee and Naomi (Shaw) Miller.

Gene was a 1969 graduate of Northfield High School, and was a veteran of the United States Army. He married Julia Jones on March 4, 1995, in Urbana, Indiana. Gene was a member of the Urbana Yoke Parrish and Urbana Lions Club. He was a farmer throughout his life, and enjoyed tractor pulling.

He is survived by his wife, Julia Miller of Wabash, three children, Troy (Jessica) Miller of Urbana, Trisha Miller of Avilla, Indiana, and Angie (Stacey) Helton of Columbia City, Indiana, three step-children, Scott (Kylie) Lee of

Matthews, Indiana, Greg Lee of Urbana, and Brad (Sonia) Lee of Fort Wayne, Indiana, mother, Naomi Miller of Urbana, five grandchildren, one great-grandson, and sister, Carolee (David) Snyder of Hartford City, Indiana. He was preceded in death by his father.

Funeral services will be 10:30 am, Monday, June 28, 2021, at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester Avenue, Wabash, with Brian Chamberlain officiating. Burial will be in Memorial Lawns Cemetery, Wabash. Friends may call 2 pm – 6 pm Sunday, June 27, 2021, at the funeral home.

Preferred memorial is Urbana Lions Club.

The memorial guest book for Gene may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.

James R. ‘Shorty’ Walton

Sept. 8, 1947 – June 20, 2021



James R. “Shorty” Walton, 73, of Peru passed away at 6:50 p.m., Sunday, June 20, 2021 at St. Vincent’s Hospital in Kokomo. The sun rose on the day he was born and set on the day he died.

Born on Sept. 8, 1947 in Monroe County, Mississippi, he was the son of the late Ananias and Nancy (White) Walton.

Shorty was a Peru High School graduate.

Survivors include his siblings, Alberta Wilson, Henrietta Lee, Gennie Terry, Hollie Walton, Janice Walton, Shirley Ann Walton, Carol Walton, Harold Walton and Wayne Walton, beloved friends, Raymond and Roder-

ick Kersey and a host of nieces and nephews.

He was also preceded in death by siblings, Dick Walton, Steve Walton, John Walton, Ananias Walton, Jr.,

Josiah “Billy” Walton, Willie Ambrose, Mary Walton, Cora Springer, Brenda Walton, Sandra Kay Walton and Geraldine McIntosh.

Services will be at 11 a.m., Friday, June 25, 2021 at Riverview Funeral Home in Peru with visitation one hour prior to the service.

Burial will follow at Mt. Hope Cemetery in Peru.

Shorty’s online guestbook is available and condolences can be shared with the family at www.riverviewfhperu.com.

Frank M. Bostic

June 10, 1940 – June 19, 2021

Frank M. Bostic, 81, formerly of Wabash, passed away at 6:15 a.m. on Saturday, June 19, 2021, at Florida Medical Center Hospice in Lauderdale Lakes, Florida.

Frank was born on June 10, 1940, to the late Harold and Barbarette (Brown) Bostic.

Per Frank’s request, there will be no services.

McDonald Funeral Homes, 231 Falls Avenue, Wabash, Indiana 46992 has been entrusted with arrangements of Frank Bostic.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.mcdonaldfunerals.com.

Randy Joe Turner

Memorial Services for Randy Joe Turner, 63, of North Manchester, will be 6:30 pm, Wednesday, July 7, 2021, at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, Wabash. Visitation 5:00 – 6:30 pm, July 7, 2021, at the funeral home.

Chapter DK of P.E.O. ‘survives and thrives’ despite the challenges of 2020

STAFF REPORT

Just as everyone has tried to find their footing this past year, the sisterhood of P.E.O. Chapter DK in North Manchester had to adapt and adjust, according to Terri Camp.

Meetings were canceled from March 2020 through August 2020.

“In September 2020 we were able to meet outside while practicing precautions. In October, some attended in person and others via Zoom,” said Camp. “The annual Auction Fundraiser followed the business meeting in November. Since January, meetings have been in person and the sisters are glad to be together again.

Camp said the achievements for the past year, despite the challenges, included “welcoming new sister, Claudia Machall; an annual fundraiser that exceeded every other year; continuing to contribute to all six of the international P.E.O. projects; and in May, a \$500 DK Scholarship was awarded to MHS student Emily Ortiz.”

Camp said plans for 2021 anticipate being able to once again socialize along with the regular business meetings, filling baby gift bags in partnership with Thursday’s Child and participating as a host chapter for the Indiana State Convention which will be held in Indianapolis, May 2022.

The biannual International P.E.O. Convention will be held virtually from Oregon the dates of Sept. 23 through 25.

“P.E.O. is a philanthropic organization where women celebrate the advancement of women; educate women through scholarships, grants, awards, loans and stewardship of Cottey College and motivate women to achieve their highest aspirations. The first chapter was founded in Iowa in 1869,” said Camp.

To learn more about participating in P.E.O. feel free to talk with any of the following regular attendees: Kathy Blocher, Terri Camp, Jean Erickson, Linda Glass, Sally Hartzog, Jeanette Lahman, Gay Ingold, Claudia Machall, Sue Meyer, Marlene Richter, Kathie Sites, Kay Spangle, Shelly Strobel or Lisa Ulrey.

SCHEDULE

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Hall said they wanted to wait to sell pool passes for the summer until they could pin down the exact opening schedule for the rest of the season.

Hall said he would make the final call based on how many lifeguards are available.

For more information, visit www.wabashcountyyymca.org.

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10 a.m. each Wednesday. Storytime kits will be available for pick up on Thursdays, though advanced registration is required by visiting www.wabash.evanced.com/kids. Teen craft kits will be offered each Thursday and adults will have kits on Tuesday, July 13. Registration for these kits is required through the Children’s Room or the library’s online calendar. The WCPL Storywalk – located on Huntington Street at Paradise Springs Park – provides an outdoor space where several of the Wednesday morning programs will take place, along with the introduction of Adult Storytime from 12:15 to 12:45 p.m. Tuesday, June 29. No registration is required and participants are encouraged to bring their lunch to the pavilion. A book discussion will also take place for adults at 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 28.

NMPL plans summer reading events

North Manchester Public Library (NMPL) summer reading events have been planned, including Chillz Event: From 1 to 2 p.m. Wednesday, June 30; NMPL Pool Party: From noon to 2 p.m. Wednesday, July 7; Activities at the North Manchester Farmers’ Market: From 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, July 17; Slime Spectacular on the NMPL lawn: From 1 to 2 p.m. Wednesday, July 21; and Little Book Shop on Market Street: From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday, July 30; and Saturday, July 31. For more information, visit www.nman.lib.in.us.

Downtown Wabash Shop Hop continues throughout June

Shop Hop has returned to downtown Wabash through Wednesday, June 30 and includes a chance to win a prize of \$100 in Shop Hop Dollars, which are redeemable at the participating businesses. Participants will take a June Shop Hop form to each participating business and receive a validation mark, no purchase necessary. Once the Shop Hop form is 100 percent completed, participants will submit their form to one of the participating businesses or Bickford of Wabash, 3037 W. Division Road. June Shop Hop forms must be submitted by 5 p.m. Wednesday, June 30 for a chance to win. The four downtown businesses participating in June’s Shop Hop include Modoc’s Market, 205 S. Miami St.; JoJo’s OilFactory & Co., 36 W. Canal St.; Wooden Ivy Boutique & Floral, 12 W. Market St.; and Eclectic Shoppe, 42 W. Canal St. Entry forms are available at each of the participating businesses and a digital copy of the form is available at WabashMarketplace.org.

Honeywell announces 2021 Summer Plaza Music Series concludes

Honeywell Arts & Entertainment’s Summer Plaza Music Series returns for one more week to the Honeywell Center Carpenter Plaza, featuring Mississinewa Valley Swing Band from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday, July 1. The Summer Plaza Music Series is free and open to the public. Food from the Plaza Grille will be available during all performances, including burgers, hot dogs, nachos and cheese, and more. In the case of inclement weather, performances will be canceled. For more information, visit HoneywellArts.org/plaza.

Project Learning Tree Workshop to be held

Educators are invited to participate in a Project Learning Tree (PLT) K-8 workshop from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Friday, July 9 at the Salamonie Lake Interpretive and Nature Center, 3691 New Holland Road, Andrews. The workshop fee of \$23 includes a copy of the guide. The fee is payable by check (made out to IFEF/PLT) or cash, payable on the day of the workshop. Bring a sack lunch. Beverages will be provided. Advance registration is required with a deadline of Friday, July 2. Limited space is available. For more information, call 260-468-2127 or email trody@dnr.in.gov.

Wabash, North Manchester fireworks displays set

Wabash city’s fireworks were being planned for dusk Sunday, July 4, with a rain date of Monday, July 5. The 2021 North Manchester Independence Day Celebration and Fireworks Display will be at 10 p.m. Saturday, July 3 at Manchester High School. The rain date is Sunday, July 4. The free celebration kicks off at 7 p.m. with the Manchester Civic Band. Families and individuals are encouraged to come early to find a spot. Lawn chairs or blankets will make viewing more comfortable. Parking is available at Manchester High School, Manchester Administrative Building and Manchester Recreation Association lots. For the safety of guests, no alcohol, sparklers or personal fireworks are permitted.

Salamonie Senior Luncheon planned for Monday, July 5

The monthly Salamonie Senior Luncheon will be held at noon Monday, July 5, at the Salamonie Lake Interpretive Center, 3691 New Holland Road, Andrews. Anyone age 50 or older is welcome to attend. Join Huntington County Purdue Extension educator Caroline Everidge, as she gives tips and tricks on “Safety

from Scams.” The program begins with a carry-in meal at noon. Guests should bring a side dish to share, a beverage and their table service. The main dish is provided by Friends of the Upper Wabash Interpretive Services. A \$1 donation will be accepted to help defray costs. Seating is limited. Reservations may be made by calling 260-468-2127.

Imagine One 85 Growth Summit set for July 14

The Imagine One 85 Growth Summit will take place from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, July 14 on the Honeywell Plaza and include food and entertainment highlighting the best of Wabash County. Attendance is free and registration is available by visiting www.imagineone85.org.

Salamonie Preschool offers ‘D is for Decomposition’

Preschool-age children and their adults are invited to Salamonie Preschool’s “D is for Decomposition.” Children ages 2 to 5 and their adults are welcome to attend the class from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, July 14 at Salamonie Interpretive Center located in Lost Bridge West State Recreation Area, 3691 S. New Holland Road, Andrews. The program fee is \$2 per child. Advance registration is appreciated. Register by calling Upper Wabash Interpretive Services at 260-468-2127. For more information, visit facebook.com/upperwabash.

Second Harvest to hold a tailgate food distributions

Second Harvest Food Bank of East Central Indiana has planned tailgate food distributions for 11 a.m. Wednesdays, July 28 at Bachelor Creek Church of Christ, 2147 Indiana 15; and noon Wednesday, July 14 at the Manchester Church of the Brethren, 1306 Beckley St., North Manchester. For more information, visit www.curehunger.org, classy.org/campaign/hunger-action-month/c299182 or <https://www.givepulse.com/group/203410>.

Christmas in July planned at Salamonie Lake

The public and campers are invited to join us for an assortment of activities at Salamonie Lake’s Christmas in July from 8:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Saturday, July 24 at 9214 W. Lost Bridge West, Andrews. Awards will be announced at 9:30 a.m. Sunday, July 25 at the Interpretive Shelter. Campsite reservations may be made by visiting camp.IN.gov or calling 866-622-6746. Property entrance fees apply of \$7 per in-state vehicle and \$9 per out-of-state vehicle. State Park annual entrance passes are

available for purchase at the property gate.

Salamonie Lake workdays continue throughout summer

Salamonie Lake’s Upper Wabash Interpretive Services, 3691 New Holland Road, Andrews, will host volunteer workdays at 9 a.m. Monday, July 26; 9 a.m. Monday, Aug. 16; and 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 25. For more information, visit 260-468-2127.

MSD Summer Food Program to provide free breakfasts, lunches

The MSD Summer Food Program will provide weekly meals free of charge for children ages 1 through 18 throughout the MSD area. Throughout the summer, families may pick up five day’s worth of breakfasts and lunches for each child in their household that meets the age criteria from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Wednesdays through July 28 at Northfield High School, 154 W. 200 North, and Southwood High School on the east side of the building, 564 Indiana 124.

Summer at the Wabash County Museum continues

For preschool families with children ages 0 to 5, “Bear Den Days” will be held from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., and 1:30 to 3 p.m. every Wednesday at 36 E. Market St. Sessions will begin with a weekly theme-based story and activity before moving into the Bear Den for an hour of playtime with friends. Registration is recommended due to limited capacity. Admission will be free to those who register in advance. Registration is available at www.wabashmuseum.org/events. Through Friday, July 30, the Wabash County Museum will offer the “Museum Explorers” opportunity for young people who have just completed kindergarten through sixth grades. Youth can visit the Wabash County Museum from Tuesdays through Fridays all summer long to participate in a scavenger hunt where they will find clues in the Wabash County Museum’s various exhibits to win prizes. A different scavenger hunt may be completed each week for the chance to enter an end-of-summer drawing to win one of several large prizes. Accompanying adults will be subject to the standard admission price unless they have a current museum membership. For more information, visit www.wabashmuseum.org.

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DAILY SCRIPTURE

He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

— Micah 6:8

The filibuster must go

As expected, debate on a bill to protect voting rights was blocked in the U.S. Senate on Tuesday when the Democratic sponsors failed to garner 60 votes. But in reaching out to centrist Sen. Joe Manchin III (D-W.Va.), Senate Democrats indicated that they were open to compromise.

The shameful reaction of Senate Republicans, on the other hand, demonstrated that they are willing to ignore laws approved by GOP-controlled legislatures that make voting harder. Those measures reflect the lingering malign influence of Donald Trump’s Big Lie that the 2020 election was stolen.

Earlier on Tuesday, Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-Ky.) said that Democrats were aiming to “tilt every election in America permanently in their favor.” That was an unfair, even outrageous, characterization of the Democrats’ proposal, the ambitious For the People Act, not to mention an exercise in projection.

The For the People Act in its Senate and House versions was arguably too large and complicated a piece of legislation, stitching together a multitude of proposals including disclosure requirement for political contributions, public financing of congressional elections and even an ethics code for the Supreme Court.

Its key provisions, however, rightly sought to enhance democracy and shore up the right to vote. The bill required states to offer 15 days of early voting, allow wide use of mail-in ballots and entrust congressional redistricting to independent commissions, as is done in California.

Manchin said this month that he couldn’t support the For the People Act. But last week he proposed a number of changes that should have attracted bipartisan support.

Some of Manchin’s ideas, such as a requirement for early voting, overlapped the provisions of the For the People Act. Others, such as his proposal for absentee ballots, were more restrictive. He also proposed making election day a holiday and, in a gesture to Republicans, requiring that voters supply identification (but not necessarily photo ID).

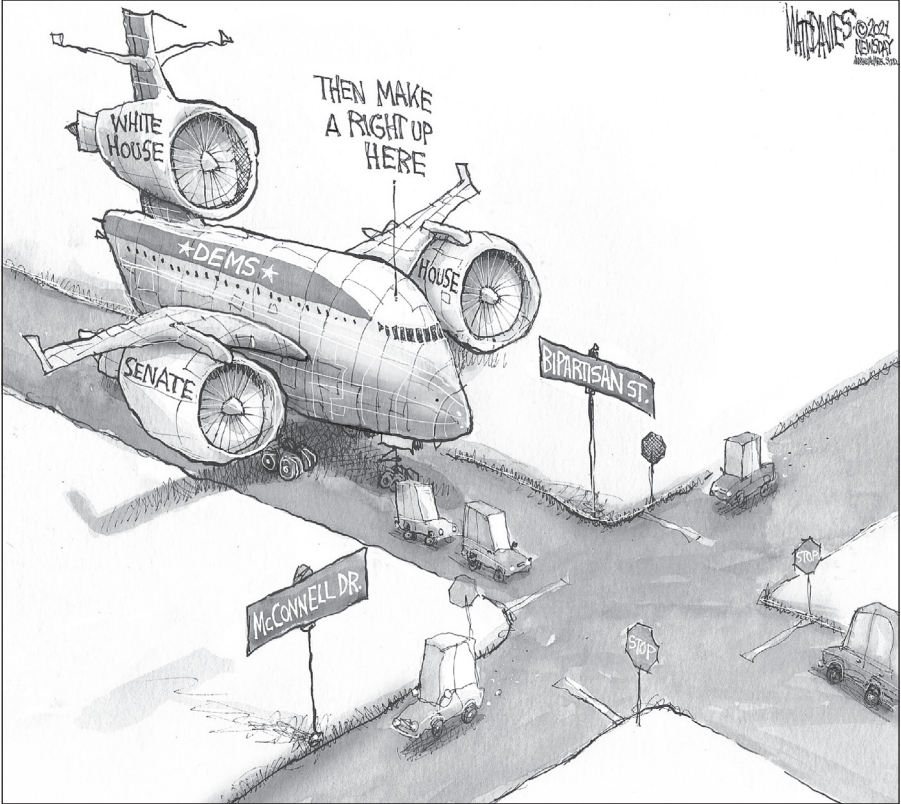
Manchin’s proposals were welcomed by Stacey Abrams, the former candidate for governor of Georgia and a voting rights activist, and by former President Obama. Majority Leader Charles E. Schumer’s willingness to have the Senate consider Manchin’s ideas led the West Virginia senator to join all 49 of his Democratic colleagues in voting to advance debate.

Republicans weren’t willing even to debate the bill, or offer amendments.

In addition to accusing Democrats of a power play, Republicans have claimed that Democratic election bills are an attempt to “federalize” elections. But the Constitution expressly allows Congress to override state decisions about the “times, places and manner” of congressional elections. Congress also can enact legislation to ensure that presidential elections aren’t marred by corruption or racial discrimination.

After Tuesday’s vote, Schumer said it represented “the starting gun, not the finish line.” Manchin and another Democratic senator, Kyrsten Sinema of Arizona, have resisted the idea of abolishing the filibuster. But if GOP senators continue to stonewall reasonable legislation to protect the right to vote, those two reluctant Democrats must be pressed to recognize that – at least where protecting democracy is concerned – the filibuster must go.

This editorial was first published in the Los Angeles Times.



Food supply challenges a year later

I come from a fairly long history in the retail grocery business. In this leadership role, I get asked a lot about our food supply. A year ago, we were experiencing a major disruption in the food supply across the country, grocery store shelves were low or empty with quantity limit signs posted for the previous three months. We also certainly witnessed or participated in some very unusual buying decisions that still drive these conditions on occasion even today. Supply interruption at the manufacturing and fresh food processing level has still not subsided. More food was being eaten at home which has probably contributed to some pressure on store shelves, but that is beginning to ease a year later.

The national food bank system of operation revolves around the concept of acquiring truckloads of donated food that have been deemed unsaleable for a variety of reasons and are sitting at various locations in the food distribution channels. Some are at the farmer level, processor, manufacturer/wholesaler, distribution center and retailer. Donated product availability at all these points in the retail system has been depleted or eliminated. Even after a year this phenomenon has not disappeared or recovered.

So where does all that leave us? Food donations are all but dried up. Food purchasing on the open market has very limited availability but has become much more normal for us as a means of supply. The USDA has increased purchasing from producers to send us additional non-perishable food that has been a blessing. They also have continued a new program by contracting with perishable food suppliers for milk, dairy, produce and meat. We have been receiving these items off and on over the last year and it couldn’t have come at a better time. As with most circumstances, this is a two-edged sword. We are now using a small fleet of borrowed or rented storage trailers on our lot to hold all the additional perishable food supply. Some months we can access it and some months we are left outside of a designated distribution list. I doubt that this will change much for a lengthy period and we may have crossed over to the new long-term reality that has been forecasted by Feeding America for many years. The forecast is that donated non-refrigerated food will continue to decrease in availability and refrigerated food will continue to increase. An expansion of our cooler and freezer has got to move forward for a long-term solution.

We’re still seeing higher than pre-pandemic level needs in all the 8 counties that we serve and have responded by maintaining as much of a distribution schedule that our inventory and volunteer levels will support. We have also expanded our Senior Safety Net to 16 sites to address senior hunger by partnering with LifeStream Services and Glick Properties. We are continuing to see increased numbers of families through The Big Idea school initiative and looks very promising that this may return to inside schools beginning with the fall term if all goes well.

Highly nutritious perishable food is where we see our inventory currently and for the foreseeable future with its two-edged sword of benefits and challenges. We thank you for your kind words of encouragement and financial support to keep it all moving.

Tim Kean is the President and CEO of Second Harvest Food Bank of East Central Indiana. The Second Harvest Food Bank network of 95-member agencies, programs and 36 schools provide relationship building and food assistance to more than 65,000 low-income people facing daily instability in Blackford, Delaware, Grant, Henry, Jay, Madison, Randolph and Wabash counties.



Sunday is PTSD Awareness Day, and this is one soldier’s experience

Sunday, June 27 is National Post Traumatic Stress Disorder and Injury Awareness Day. It is a day dedicated to raising awareness around the signs, symptoms, and stigma, associated with PTSD. As a former Infantry Officer with two deployments to Afghanistan, this issue is deeply personal to me. The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) has reported that somewhere between 10-15 percent of veterans have a clinical diagnosis for post-traumatic stress. That number is likely far greater. A recent survey suggests at over a quarter of our population believes PTSD is incurable and those who have it are dangerous and mentally unstable – it is for this reason that so many veterans refuse to seek help. 22 veterans will take their own life today, two-thirds of them will have never stepped foot inside a VA facility – 15 veterans will die today without ever asking for help.

The redeployment process was like an assembly line, 2,600 soldiers going from office to office getting their checklist signed off by each office (dental, vision, finance, etc.) The mental health station was no different: Walk in, answer a few questions, get your sheet stamped and leave. It was June 2006, I had returned a week earlier from a 16-month deployment to Afghanistan. I walked into the mental health office and without looking up a man asked, “what was the worst thing you experienced while you were deployed?” I proceeded to tell him, in detail, about the suicide bomber attack on my platoon that resulted in every member of the platoon being awarded the Purple Heart. He looked up at me and said “Lieutenant, that is the worst story I’ve heard all day.” He left me with one question “am I still me?” I said yes, partially because I thought it was true, but partially because if I knew if I said no it would mean an early end to my career. Over 30 soldiers would recount the same attack that day, 30 soldiers would answer “Yes, I’m good” and walk out of the office with their paper stamped “cleared MENTAL HEALTH” and start preparing for the next deployment.

Fast forward a few years, I left the military, used my GI bill to get a master’s degree, and had started a new career in management consulting. The guidance most people gave to veterans starting civilian careers was to not talk about being a veteran, so I did not. During a conversation with a colleague, I happened to mention my service because it was related to the topic at hand. My colleague stopped and said, “I didn’t know you

were in the military, you’re remarkably well adjusted.” Not exactly a compliment but also not far from the truth. From the outside, I was a normal businessman. From the outside, you could never tell that had it not been for an Afghan guard who grabbed the suicide bomber at the last minute I probably wouldn’t have seen my 26th birthday, from the outside I was still me. On the inside, these memories are defining moments, “you can’t unsee a suicide bomber attack” or all the other memories associated with combat. Again, from the outside for the most part you can’t tell what another person has experienced but these memories tend to pop up at unexpected times. A child’s nosebleed triggers a memory you’re not equipped to deal with as you comfort the child in the middle of the night. That’s PTSD. It’s your past fighting with your present and no one on the outside can see that battle.

I cannot describe the weight of command, especially in a combat environment. As a junior officer, I was given the responsibility of leading an amazing team of men and women. The mantra of “mission first, people always” was a heavy reminder that it was my job to maintain a balance of keeping my soldiers safe and accomplishing our mission. I wasn’t always successful at either, but we all came home alive.

Today, my office is built for our “Zoom world” behind me hang the awards and pictures that represent the proverbial “T-shirt” as in been there, done that, I’ve got the T-shirt to prove it. In front of me, out of view of the camera, a collection of bracelets, each inscribed with the name of a friend or colleague I’ve lost, either to our enemies abroad, or the demons within. So, while the world sees all my accomplishments I am confronted with my why; the friends I’ve lost. There is one in particular that inspires me to do more every day – the one I couldn’t save.

Every loss is painful. As I mentioned I was lucky, I had amazing NCOs and soldiers, they are truly exceptional and many continue to serve our great nation. During our deployment in 2006 I honestly lost count of how many times we came into contact with the enemy, the suicide bomber was the worst, but not the only attack. We were lucky, we lost friends while we were out on a mission, but when those wheels touched U.S. soil, we had all made it back.

June 16, 2019, was Father’s Day, and I was up early, partially because I don’t sleep well, and partially because I enjoy the peace of the early morning. I learned through Facebook that I had failed. That night one of my soldiers had taken his

own life. This was not my first, second, or 10th time dealing with suicide, but it was by far the most personal.

There is a certain power and resolve that comes with the acceptance of a great loss. After that day it became clear that while I couldn’t change the past we could do more moving forward. We have a running Facebook message – which is mostly filled with the type of dark and profane humor that only an infantry soldier would understand but it connects us, a constant reminder that there’s always someone there who “gets it.” In the Ranger’s Creed there is a line “I will always shoulder more than my fair share of the task, whatever it may be;” with every loss, whether by combat or suicide, it’s our responsibility to shoulder their load and to carry the memory of them forward.

On any given day there are around 19 million veterans, living and thriving in communities across the country. Approximately 22 veterans take their own life, every day. This is nothing less than a national tragedy and we’ve dedicated an enormous amount of resources to trying to solve this issue. A recent survey found that almost 70 percent of Americans believe that most veterans struggle with PTSD, while 25 percent of Americans believe PTSD is un-treatable, and those with PTSD are violent and dangerous. The truth: PTSD is treatable, and many of those who carry a PTSD diagnosis can thrive in their post-service life with minimal if any, clinical intervention. The biggest threat to our veterans is the stigma we attach to mental health issues like PTSD as it prevents us from seeking help.

As a society, and as veterans we must do better, this same survey showed the misconceptions about PTSD were even more prevalent amount the veteran community than our civilian counterparts. Steven Ambrose once said that veterans gave the best years of their lives in the defense of our country, when they leave the service there is a strong desire to make up for the lost time. Veterans thrive in civilian life when they can find their why. Their new purpose. By having these candid conversations, we can break the stigma associated with mental health and make it easier for a veteran to seek help when they stop being themselves.

Joseph Reagan is the director of military and veterans outreach for Wreaths Across America. He has over 10 years of experience working with leaders within government, non-profit, and Fortune 500 companies to develop sustainable strategies supporting national security and veterans' health. He served eight years on active duty as an officer in the U.S. Army including two tours to Afghanistan with the 10th Mountain Division. He is a graduate of Norwich University, the oldest private military college in the country.

Lifestyles



Photo by Lynda Balslev for TasteFood

Kick off summer with a shrub

Launch into the days of summer with a refreshing drink to hydrate, refresh and cool off.

Lynda Balslev



This is one of my favorite summer beverages and it makes use of the season's sweet strawberries. It's called a shrub, or a tonic, which is a syrup composed of fruit, sugar and vinegar. Also known as drinking vinegar, shrubs are an old-fashioned method of preserving fruit by mixing soft, ripe produce with vinegar and sugar, then letting the mixture sit for a few days to mingle and

macerate before straining out the solids. Nowadays, shrubs are enjoying a resurgence, back in vogue as a cleansing refreshment, as well as a flavorful syrup for cocktails. The combinations are numerous and open to creative inspiration, bearing in mind a few rules of thumb: Use ripe, untreated, soft fruit such as berries and stone fruit at the peak of season, and wash thoroughly. Blend with a fruity vinegar, such as apple cider or wine vinegar. Experiment with adding fresh herbs, such as thyme, basil, mint and rosemary, which add herbaceous and floral complements to the fruit. Serve with sparkling water as a refreshing soda,

or add a splash to cocktails for a nice kick.

Strawberry Balsamic Shrub

Prep Time: 10 minutes
Total Time: 1 to 2 days
Yield: Makes 2 cups syrup

- 1 pound strawberries, hulled and quartered**
 - 1 cup granulated sugar**
 - 10 cracked peppercorns**
 - 3/4 cup balsamic vinegar**
 - 3/4 cup apple cider vinegar**
- Combine the strawberries, sugar and peppercorns in a bowl. (If you prefer a sweeter syrup, you can increase the amount of sugar to 1 1/2 cups.) Mix to thoroughly combine. Cover and refrigerate for 1 to 2 days, stirring occasionally.

Pour the syrup through a fine meshed sieve into a bowl, pressing down on the fruit to extract all of the juice. Discard the strawberries. Scrape any remaining sugar into the syrup. Whisk the vinegars into the syrup. Pour the syrup into a clean glass jar and refrigerate indefinitely. The sharpness will mellow with time. To serve, combine 1 part shrub and 2 to 3 parts water or sparkling water in a glass with a squeeze of lime. For a cocktail, substitute prosecco for the sparkling water. Or go big and blend 1 part shrub to 1 part reposado tequila to 2 parts sparkling water and a good squeeze of lime.

Research looks to outer space to learn about human health on Earth

By APARNA NATHAN
The Philadelphia Inquirer (TNS)

PHILADELPHIA — As an oncologist, Adam Dicker has seen how cancer treatments can pummel the body to knock out tumors, sometimes leading to deteriorating bones, more infections, and haywire sleep cycles. But others have observed similar ailments in a group of healthy people: astronauts who spend time in space.

Next year, Dicker and fellow researchers at Sidney Kimmel Medical College at Thomas Jefferson University in Philadelphia will launch three studies of how space travel affects aspects of the human body — immunity, microbes in urine, and stress — as part of the first private mission to the International Space Station. Researchers believe that the unique environment in space can also shed light on human health on Earth. “I never thought I’d ever do a project in space,” said Paul H. Chung, assistant professor of urology at Sidney Kimmel Medical College, who is involved in one of the space studies. “Most people don’t even know the logistics of how someone would do a project in space.”



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Adam Dicker is leading one of the Jefferson studies that will be conducted during the first private mission to the International Space Station in 2022.

The eight-day mission is the first of its kind to be approved by NASA. Organized by Axiom Space, on Jan. 22, 2022 a SpaceX rocket will ferry four paying passengers to the International Space Station along with 44 scientific experiments commissioned by the Ramon Foundation and the Israel Space Agency. So far one passenger, former Israeli fighter pilot Eytan Stibbe, has volunteered to participate in the studies. Dicker, professor and chair of radiation oncology at Jefferson, said the immune system in particular takes a beating in both astronauts and people undergoing cancer treatment.

“Astronauts aren’t as immunosuppressed as cancer patients, but thematically we saw a linkage,” Dicker said. “No one has really studied the immune system in a comprehensive way with astronauts.” Astronauts who have previously returned from space missions have become easy targets for viruses that were lying dormant in their bodies for years, like the herpes virus that causes shingles. To figure out how space might weaken the immune system, Dicker’s team will collect blood from the participating space travelers before and after their journey and measure more than 7,000 proteins. Previous stud-

ies have measured changes to DNA, but measuring proteins — which are made based on DNA and carry out tasks in the body — gets closer to what matters, Dicker said. He’s hoping to see patterns in groups of immune proteins that rise or fall while the astronauts are in space, which could point to ways to improve immune function for astronauts and Earth-dwellers alike. For cancer patients, Dicker said this could shed light on how the immune system responds to the stressors of treatment, which mirror an astronaut’s experience in space: physical stress, emotional stress, gastrointestinal problems, disturbed sleep. Chung is counting on space to help him study the microbiome, the trillions of microscopic organisms living inside the human body. There’s a myth that urine is sterile, but as a urologist, Chung knows better; it’s actually full of microbes like bacteria and fungi. The microbiome is better studied in the digestive system, where the more friendly varieties of bacteria can help digestion while others can cause discomfort. But the urinary microbiome is murkier, and scientists still don’t know how it changes, Chung said.

Just because the world is opening back up doesn’t mean your wallet should

Your company wants you back in the office in just a few short weeks, but you fear you’ll need a new post-pandemic wardrobe to accommodate the weight you gained from all that comfort-snacking over the past year.

Michelle Singletary



You stopped, for the most part, wearing makeup. You made your own coffee. You let your hair grow out long — and gray — and now you’re fretting about having to make room again in your budget for barbershop or beauty-salon expenses. And as more people get vaccinated, the wedding receptions, parties and reunions are back on, making you feel like you need to lavish money on presents, airline tickets and restaurant tabs.

A year of forced austerity is now giving way to post-pandemic spending sprees. The New York Federal Reserve’s latest Survey of Consumer Expectations found that expectations for median household spending growth rose to a high of 5 percent in May, up from 4.6 percent in April. “The increase was broad-based but more pronounced among respondents with annual household incomes of more than \$100,000,” the report said.

Personal savings rates throughout the pandemic increased for a lot of families, even while millions were struggling to keep a roof over their heads.

The pressure is back on to spend money on clothes, eating out and social experiences. For those who have the financial ability to splurge, here are five reasons to avoid returning to pre-pandemic spending sprees.

1. Consumer prices are still rising. Prices grew 5 percent from a year earlier, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. It was the largest 12-month increase since August 2008. Prices for new and used cars and trucks, household furnishings, airline fares and apparel continue to drive inflation, the bureau reported. The cost of eating out rose 4 percent relative to the same month last year.

I get it. You’re eager to eat out and hit the malls. But be careful that your pent-up demand for shopping doesn’t derail the financial progress you made in the past year. With rising prices, if you must spend, spend less.

Consider putting off a major expenditure until prices stabilize. The beaches will still be there next year.

2. Saving is still paramount.

Since pandemic shutdowns took effect, Americans have saved an average of 18.3 percent of after-tax income every month, according to the Bureau of Economic Analysis. That’s almost two and a half times the 2019 average of 7.5 percent. The savings rate hit a record high of 33.7 percent in April 2020.

What financial resources could you tap if you lost your job or had a significant disruption in your income?

“One common measure of financial resiliency is whether people have savings sufficient to cover three months of expenses if they lost their primary source of income,” according to a Fed report on the economic well-being of U.S. households. “. . . Forty percent of adults who were laid off in the past 12 months could not cover three months of expenses by any means were they to lose their job or government benefits.”

This crisis is passing, but another will come along. Don’t forget the lesson

learned, which is that having more savings can help you better weather a job loss or disruption in your income.

3. Your retirement savings still need a boost.

Many workers not yet retired are fairly pessimistic about their retirement finances, according to the latest data from Gallup’s annual Economy and Personal Finance survey. Gallup found that only a slim majority of non-retirees in the United States expect they will have enough money to live comfortably in their retirement. “Although three-fourths of non-retired adults had at least some retirement savings, about one-fourth did not have any,” this Fed said in its report on economic well-being. Thirty-six percent of working adults thought their retirement savings were on track, while 45 percent said they were not and the rest were not sure, the Fed said.

Consider this: Social Security was the most common source of income in retirement in 2020. The average monthly benefit for retired workers is \$1,544.

If you were able to cut your spending during the pandemic, hopefully you directed some of that money into an IRA, 401(k) or similar retirement plan. If you did, don’t pull back. And here’s some incentive. Fidelity Investments said workers’ commitment to invest, coupled with stock market performance, pushed average retirement account balances to record levels in the first quarter of 2021. Some folks even became 401(k) millionaires.

4. Your debt is still too high.

In the past 12 months, many people have reduced their credit card debt, the Fed report said. Thirty-four percent of credit card borrowers with outstanding debt owed less debt in 2020 than a year earlier, compared with 26 percent who had more debt.

Think about it. With stay-at-home orders, you finally had to admit to yourself that you did have money in your budget to make a dent in your debt. Don’t impede your progress by ditching your aggressive debt reduction.

5. There will still be unexpected expenses.

A lot of people are \$400 away from a financial setback, according to the Fed.

If you had a \$400 or more in emergency expenses, how would you cover it?

When asked this question, many people said they would have the cash. But others would need to cover it using a credit card or by borrowing the funds from a friend or family member. This isn’t ideal, but at least they could come up with the money.

However, 12 percent of all adults said they would be unable to pay the expense by any means, the Fed said.

There are those who won’t be going on a spending spree. They were struggling even before the pandemic and still are. But this past year exposed spendthrifts who had the means to do better with their finances. If that’s you, don’t stop your pandemic penny-pinching just because the world is opening up.

The Washington Post’s Andrew Van Dam contributed to this column.

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Media Arts students showcase work at Eagles Theatre

STAFF REPORT

The Media Arts Program, a collaboration of Honeywell Arts & Entertainment and the Heartland Career Center, showcased original photography, audio, video, scriptwriting, and editing projects by the 2020-21 class on Tuesday, May 18 at Eagles Theatre, according to development communications manager Courtney Harvey.

“Launched in 2017, the Media Arts Program prepares high school students for careers in business and media-related industries by developing their understanding of professional business practices, written and verbal communication skills, and industry tools. In its fifth year, the program took place in Eagles Theatre for the first time, where the INGUARD Editing Suite

and Haist Family Studio provided hands-on learning opportunities in audio and video production while the entire facility was utilized for the project work, meetings and presentations,” said Harvey. Jessica Keffaber, Education Media Manager at Honeywell Arts & Entertainment, served as the instructor for the 28-member class that included students from

MSD of Wabash County and North Miami, Oak Hill, Peru and Wabash high schools. Nine were graduating seniors. 2020-21 Media Arts students include: **MSD of Wabash County** Kaleb Bruning, 11 Jaxton Coyne, 12 Cage DuBois, 12 **North Miami High School** Ross Gosnell, 11 Lonnie Johnston, 11

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Students to showcase theatrical talents at Honeywell Center

Summer Theatre Camp concludes with free public performances

STAFF REPORT

Local junior high and high school students from around the county will entertain and delight audiences in a series of public performances on Saturday, June 26, according to development communications manager Courtney Harvey.

Free to the public, these events will showcase the students’ theatrical knowledge and skillsets developed in Honeywell Arts & Entertainment’s 2021 Summer Theatre Camp.

Led by Education Media Manager Jessica Keffaber, Summer Theatre Camp “provides opportunities for students to learn the basics of stage performance in an engaging, hands-on learning environment,” said Harvey.

Free public performances include:

■ Vaudeville Reborn at 5:30 p.m. Saturday, June 26 at the Honeywell Center’s Ford Theater. “This summer’s performance featuring students in sixth through eighth grades will be a Vaudeville show. Students will showcase their newly acquired knowledge of not only the history of Vaude-

ville, but also the pieces and performances that make a true Vaudeville performance,” said Harvey.

■ Hope: Music and Monologues at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, June 26 at the Honeywell Center’s Ford Theater. “‘Hope’ is the theme of this original, full-length stage performance written and performed by students in ninth through 12th grades, in which students will bring their own stories to life,” said Harvey.

2021 Summer Theatre Camp Students include:

6th through 8th grades

■ Luke Blossom, Wabash Middle School
■ Caroline Catt, Wabash Middle School
■ Evie Collett, Manchester Jr./Sr. High School
■ Allison Edmond, Sharp Creek Elementary School
■ Samantha Gornto, Peru Jr. High School
■ Brynnlie Gouvan, Southwood Elementary School
■ Elli Hall, Wabash Middle School
■ Lanie Linkenhoker, Manchester Intermediate School
■ Lillian Linkenhoker, Manchester Intermediate School
■ Malia Mahan, Southwood Jr./Sr. High School
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■ Jiaye Myers, Manchester Jr./Sr. High School
■ Lee Palmer, Wabash Middle School
■ Amaya Sellers, Wabash Middle School
■ Brett Shull, Wabash Middle School
■ Mallory Tart, Wabash Middle School
■ Directed by: Ham Sadler, director; Lindsay Rice, assistant director; and Judy Ward, music director.

9th through 12th grades

■ Addie France, Northfield High School
■ Alexa Johnson, Wabash High School
■ Marcus Haynes, Wabash High School
■ Xavier Hughes, Wabash High School
■ Breanna Keefer, Wabash High School
■ Karigan Long, Wabash High School
■ Meryn Norman, Southwood High School
■ Jessica Parker, Homeschool
■ Yzabelle Stangl, Northfield High School
■ Directed by: Jessica Keffaber, director; Sam Keffaber, assistant director; Judy Ward, music director; Brenden Rowan, stage manager; and Sarah Grant, director of scriptwriting.

For more information, visit HoneywellArts.org.

Judge: Indiana must continue federal unemployment benefits

By CASEY SMITH

Associated Press/
Report for America

INDIANAPOLIS — A Marion County judge ordered Friday that Indiana must continue the federal government’s unemployment benefits, putting a temporary stop to Gov. Eric Holcomb’s move to drop the state from the program.

Marion Superior Court Judge John Hanley granted the preliminary injunction in a lawsuit filed June 14 by two legal organizations, which argues that Indiana law requires the state to procure federal insurance benefits to residents.

The lawsuit emphasizes that the Republican governor’s actions to withdraw Indiana from the expanded unemployment benefits before the Sept. 6 expiration of those benefits will hurt thousands.

Indiana’s decision to leave the federal program early

violates state law, Hanley wrote in his court order, adding that the unemployment benefits are “instrumental in allowing Hoosiers to regain financial stability at an individual level while the state continues to face challenges presented by the COVID-19 pandemic during its return to normalcy.”

The decision requires the state to continue the extra \$300 weekly payments to unemployed workers and remain in other programs that expanded unemployment benefits during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Holcomb announced last month that Indiana would reinstate a requirement that those receiving unemployment benefits will again have to show they are actively searching for work as of June 1 and that the state would leave the federal programs effective June 19.

Indiana also ended its par-

ticipation in a federal program that made gig workers and the self-employed eligible for assistance for the first time and another that provides extra weeks of aid.

The decision to withdraw the state from the federal programs came as many businesses blame the extra \$300 weekly payment and the ease of obtaining unemployment benefits with making it more difficult to fill job openings. Republican legislative leaders additionally urged Holcomb to withdraw Indiana from those federal programs.

The \$300 payments have more than doubled Indiana’s average \$280 weekly unemployment payment, which has a maximum of \$390 a week, according to the state Department of Workforce Development. The changes could cut off or reduce unemployment benefits to more than 220,000 people in the state.

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VIRTUAL AND IN-PERSON CHURCH SERVICES

Asbury Country Church

On Sunday, June 27 at Asbury Country Church, Sunday School is at 9:30 a.m. and the worship service is at 10:30 a.m. The worship leader will be Amy Bullick, the music leader will be Mel Hoover and the piano will be by Roger Marine. The morning message will be, “It’s Possible, Be Joyful!” by Pastor Mike Bullick.

Bachelor Creek Church of Christ

Online services are available by visiting www.bachelorcreek.com.

Christ United Methodist Church

On Sunday, June 27 worship service at Christ United Methodist Church, 477 N. Wabash St., is at 10 a.m. Pastor Tom Richards’ scripture reading will be Romans 1:18 with a sermon reflection titled, “The Angry God.” Worship service will also be live-streamed on our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/ChristUMCWabash/.

Christian Heritage Church

Streaming services online and broadcast on 95.9 FM.

College Corner Brethren Church

College Corner Brethren Church is now holding in-person services at 10:15 a.m. Sundays at 8996 S. 500 West, with Pastor Solomon David. The sermons are still on YouTube and Facebook.

Common Ground Prayer House

The Common Ground Prayer House will be open to the public from 8 to 10 a.m. Mondays, except holidays, at 78 W. Hill St. For more information, call Jennifer Mahan at 260-571-8063, Shirley Neale at 260-591-0047 or Debbie Sweet at 260-571-6072.

Dora Christian Church

For the Sunday, June 27 services at Dora Christian Church in Lagro the minister will be Mark Wisniewski, the song leader will be Olman Sanchez, the pianist will be Sherry Brock and the organist will be Kristy Good. We have two in-person Sunday services at 8:15 and 10:30 a.m., with Sunday school classes for all ages from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. The message will be, “Disciples Overcome Differences Together” from Acts 15:1-21, the last part of June’s sermon series, “The Acts of the Disciples.” The Communion Table will be served by John Troyer and Bill Miller. Children’s church for the 10:30 a.m. service will be led by John Troyer and Janene Wisniewski.

LaFontaine Christian Church

The LaFontaine Christian Church pre-records the sermon which is then available for all to view at www.lafontainechristian.com under the sermons tab, stated Pastor Brad Wright.

LaFontaine United Methodist Church

Pastor Susan Shambaugh says that her LaFontaine United Methodist Church is live-streaming on their Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/LaFontaine-United-Methodist-Church> and that it may be accessed as a video afterward.

Lincolnville United Methodist Church

Lincolnville United Methodist, 5848 E. 500 South, is going back to one worship service. The worship service is at 10 a.m., and Sunday school is at 9 a.m. The church will have vacation bible school from 6 to 8 p.m. from Sunday, July 11 through Friday, July 16. On Sunday, Aug. 1, there will be no Sunday school at 9 a.m., but there will be a worship service at 10 a.m. For more information, email pastorjohn1954@gmail.com or call 260-563-1406.

Living Faith Lutheran Church

Welcome to our in-person worship service at 10:10 a.m. Sundays at Living Faith Lutheran Church, 242 S. Huntington St. Bible study and Sunday school are at 9 a.m. for all ages. The sanctuary is arranged for social distancing. Masks are encouraged and available. Online services are at 10:10 a.m., with pre-service music at 10 a.m. For virtual services and more information, visit www.livingfaithwabash.org.

Manchester Church of the Brethren

Pastor Kurt Borgmann from the Manchester Church of the Brethren stated they will hold a live-stream service at 9:30 a.m. every Sunday by visiting www.manchestercob.net. Scroll to the bottom of the home page and click on the black button that says, “Manchester CoB YouTube Channel.” After the service is finished, one may access a video copy of the live stream in the same way. Another way to access the live stream or posted video: go to YouTube, search “Manchester Church of the Brethren,” and click on the circle profile.

North Manchester Congregational Christian Church

Pastor Sebrana Cline stated live streaming begins on their Facebook page at 10 a.m.

Sundays for the North Manchester Congregational Christian Church, and lasts 30 to 40 minutes.

North Manchester Missionary Church

The North Manchester Missionary Church is streaming live on their Facebook page at 10 a.m. Sunday. The video is then placed on their webpage, which can be viewed by visiting NMMC1.com.

Olive Branch Church of God

The Olive Branch Church of God live-streams Sunday mornings at 10 a.m. Find it through Facebook, by searching Olive Branch Church, or by visiting www.facebook.com/myolivebranchchurch or through the church website www.olivebranch.church. Click “Live Streaming” at the top, then click the series icon (lion head).

Richvalley United Methodist Church

Worship at Richvalley United Methodist Church begins at 9:30 a.m. Sundays at 290 N. Jefferson St. Sunday school begins at 10:45 a.m. For more information, call 260-563-1033 or email rvumc@hotmail.com.

Southside Free Will Baptist

Streaming on their Facebook page.

Sweetwater Assembly of God

Streaming services online using the normal service schedule.

Urbana Yoke Parish

Rev. Larry Wade of the Urbana Yoke Parish stated that his congregation posts Sunday services to www.urbanayokeparish.com. Go to the menu line at the top of the page and select “Worship Videos.” The most recent one will appear first. Sunday services are posted by noon every Tuesday.

Wabash Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Welcome to Wabash Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), 110 West Hill St. In-person worship is at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday mornings in the sanctuary or via live-stream for the church at home on the Wabash Christian YouTube Channel. Access is also available on our Facebook page and website wabashchristian.org. Stephen Eberhard is the Minister.

Wabash Church of the Brethren

At Wabash Church of the Brethren, 645 Bond St., services will be at 10 a.m. Sunday in person. Masks are recommended,

but not required. There will be no Sunday school until fall. On Sunday, June 20, the sermon, “Peace, be still,” will be based on Mark 4:35-41. You may reach Pastor Doug Veal at the church office, 260-563-5291, on his cell phone at 260-225-3014, or by email at pastordoug@wabashcob.org.

Wabash Church of the Nazarene

Pastor Kirk Johnson, of the Wabash Church of the Nazarene, stated their service is available on YouTube on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. Find it by going to YouTube and search for “Wabash Nazarene” or search Facebook for the Wabash Church of the Nazarene. Another option is to visit www.wabashnaz.com, look for the home page, and find “Latest Sermon.”

Wabash First Church of God

At the 10:30 a.m. Sunday, June 27 worship service at Wabash First Church of God, 525 N. Miami St., the guest speaker will be Charles Shumate. The sermon can also be seen on YouTube under Wabash 1st Church and heard on Sunday at 11 a.m. on 105.9 FM. While in the church building, masks are optional. Sunday servants are Todd Eltzroth, chairperson; Sue White, worship; Nancy Kolb, piano; and Rose Sands, organ.

Walk by Faith Community Church

At the Walk by Faith Community Church in Roann, Sunday school begins at 9 a.m. and the worship and children’s worship services begin at 10 a.m. The Walk by Faith Youth ministry meets at 5 p.m. every Sunday. On Sunday, July 4, Pastor Jody Tyner will be sharing the message with us. We invite all to come and worship with us for a special outdoor service at 9 a.m. with doughnuts, coffee, milk and juice. For more information, visit www.walkbyfaithcommunitychurch.com.

Zion Lutheran Church of Wabash

Pastor Jerry Gauthier says that the Zion Lutheran Church of Wabash is streaming through their Facebook page at www.facebook.com/zionwabash at 10:30 a.m. Sundays.

Editor’s note: If you have an upcoming event to submit, please send it by email to news@wabashplaindealer.com no later than five days before the event itself. Please use complete sentences, Associated Press style and Microsoft Word or PDF file formats.

‘The stronger man on the scene’

By **JERRY GAUTHIER**

Famous words from Jesus come recorded by St. Mark, “And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand” (3:25). Ears in our culture perk up because Abraham Lincoln popularized these words. As he phrased it, “A house divided cannot stand.” He was addressing the injustice of slavery unresolved during his times. He was not exalting civil war but saw the long-term course for this country. Lincoln knew politically a middle ground was not going to last. He went on in the same speech to say, “It will become all one thing or all the other.” The image he used by Jesus proved his point. However, Christ had something else in mind other than unity and clarity for a single nation. He was speaking to the division that stood against Him and His Church.

Division pressed upon Jesus as a united force one day in Capernaum by His own family and rulers from Jerusalem (Mark 3:20-35). Everyone noticed this division against Him. Accept Jesus kept undivided attention to mightier captivity. Behind it all, Satan was ruling

with a united power, but he was also hiding behind the stations of human life like a coward. Jesus showed no mercy towards this false stability by Satan. The promise long ago from the Father was for His Son to crush the serpent’s head (Genesis 3:15). The Gospel was God’s clear mission, “No one can enter a strong man’s house and plunder his goods unless he first binds the strong man. Then indeed he may plunder his house” (Mark 3:27). This binding Jesus did actively in His life as a united force of truth and love for humanity. However, the direction and glory of it all were finally bound to the cross. He proclaimed without hesitation before His suffering and death, “Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out” (John 12:31).

Jesus is the stronger man having died and rose to redeem humanity before God and proving Satan is holding together a failing house. The binding hold of sin and death by Satan does weary us, but it has no hold on Jesus. He keeps plundering away with the promise of good news for His sacrifice is sufficient to save any. Forgiveness and eternal life come from Jesus by His Word and Sacra-

ments. By these gifts, you are the goods He claims for His kingdom! Instead of belonging to a failing house, St. Paul knows the stronger man is God for us. He declares, “For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison...” (2 Corinthians 4:17).

Even now, the risen Christ uses the crosses of His Church to expose how Satan’s house is fallen and in a state of failure. You are free, forgiven, and have a future this day to listen, serve, and trust the stronger man. It is the Lord and Savior Jesus able to take our weakness into His glory that saves us. “A House divided cannot stand” remains true for life. Only now, this nation is at a crossroads again with its privilege of earthly freedom. Yet, the Church remains with Christ and everything does all go in one direction undivided in Him. It looks ordinary, but the Gospel shakes sin, death, and hell itself before a world divided against God. Jesus is the stronger man who has delivered us from Satan’s house of slavery to be at home with God for all good. Amen.

Jerry Gauthier is the pastor of Zion Lutheran Church in Wabash.

Gov. Holcomb honors James Morris with Indiana’s top award

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Gov. Eric Holcomb awarded 78-year-old civic leader James Morris on Friday with the 2021 Satchem Award, the state’s highest honor.

Morris, of Indianapolis, is vice chairman of Pacers Sports & Entertainment, which owns the Indiana Pacers and Indiana Fever. He is also an Indiana University trustee and the U.S. permanent representative to the UNICEF executive board.

Morris previously served as executive director of the

United Nations World Food Programme, the world’s largest humanitarian agency, during which he visited more than 80 countries to advocate for the hungry. He additionally served as a U.N. special envoy for Southern Africa, addressing food insecurity and HIV/AIDS.

In his home state, Morris has served in various leadership roles at Pacers Sports & Entertainment, the Lilly Endowment and Indianapolis Water Co. He was a chief of staff to late former Indi-

anapolis Mayor Richard G. Lugar.

Holcomb says Morris “has lived an extraordinary life with a constant focus on serving mankind at home and abroad.”

“His philanthropy and heart for improving the human experience, especially the lives of disadvantaged children in our state and on different continents has in turn inspired a countless army of those who seek to create positive generational change,” Holcomb said.

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Teen’s sudden death comes amid fractured friendship

DEAR ABBY: Last year, after a falling out with someone I have been friends with for more than 20 years, I was OK with writing this person off and going on with my life. From my understanding, this person felt the same way.

Dear Abby



Last week, their teenage son died in a terrible accident. I was heartbroken. I truly cared about the boy and had watched him grow up. I reached out and received no response (as I expected). I’m torn about whether I should go to the funeral and how it would be perceived. I want to show support, but I’m concerned I’m not wanted there. I’m also concerned that if I don’t go it will look awful and disrespectful, since I have been a part of this boy’s life. I don’t know what to do. – Cared For Him In Ohio

DEAR CARED FOR HIM: You may not have heard from the family because they are grieving and not communicating with everyone. As I see it, you have several choices: Send a condolence card, send flowers, contribute to a charity in the young man’s name and/or go UNOBTUSIVELY to the funeral and sit in the back. If, however, you decide to do this, do not go with any expectation it will heal the breach in your relationship.

DEAR ABBY: I was happily married for almost 20 years. Suddenly my husband became withdrawn, obviously unhappy, and moved out. He keeps telling me we are going to spend the rest of our lives together, that we aren’t divorced, just “taking a break.”

Although I had a great relationship with his family, they no longer speak to me. My family still treats him the same. He has a friend who is always whispering in his ear about how terrible I am. My husband denies it, but I have seen the text messages. As far as I know, I haven’t done anything to this friend.

Between my husband’s paydays, I help him out financially. We’re both close to retirement age because we married late, and we still have a teenager at home. Do I wait for him to come around, or move on with my life? I still love him, but I’m feeling used. – Disillusioned In The South

DEAR DISILLUSIONED: You are not only being used, but also being lied to. In addition, your in-laws’ behavior is emotionally abusive. (Could they have been told things about you that aren’t true?) Offer your husband the option of marriage and family therapy and a chance to repair what went wrong. However, if he refuses, quit being so accommodating, close your checkbook and move on with your life.

DEAR ABBY: After an invitation to visit, how long can I stay before I’m imposing? – Too Long In New Mexico

DEAR TOO LONG: It depends upon the relationship you have with the person who invited you. Usually, when an invitation is extended, it is for a specified time period – a week, a weekend, etc.

Two truisms apply here: “Guests, like fish, begin to smell after three days” (Benjamin Franklin), and “One of the most important things that Hollywood teaches is to always leave your audience hungry for a little more” (Howard Bragman).

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CROSSWORD

ACROSS

- 1 Taco filling
- 5 Wield an ax
- 8 Edible seaweed
- 12 “Rubaiyat” author
- 13 Rope-a-dope boxer
- 14 Toast topper
- 15 Brownish-purple
- 16 Alps-croser of yore
- 18 Cold-shoulder
- 20 Finger’s opposite
- 21 Mimic
- 22 Ethical behavior
- 25 Fruit-bearing tree
- 28 Verdi princess
- 29 Feels awful
- 33 On the train
- 35 Mongol ruler
- 36 Deborah of films
- 37 Spanish explorer (2 wds.)

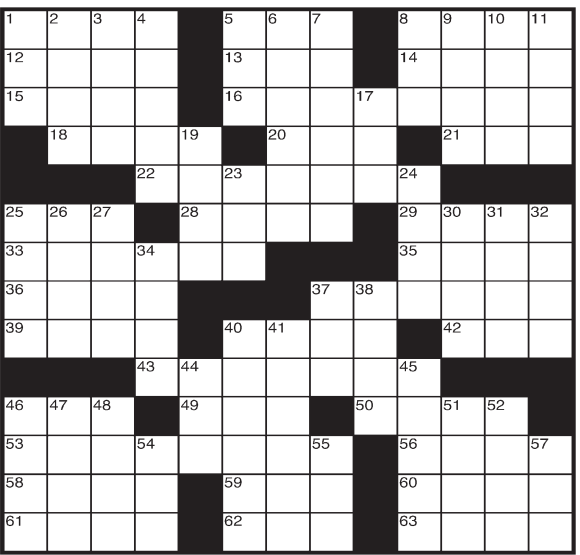
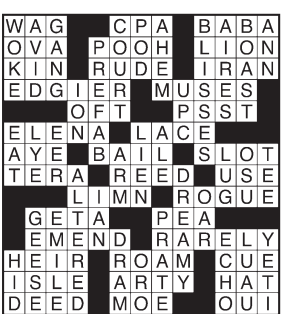
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- 40 Finish filming
- 42 Hard seat
- 43 Stay in bed (2 wds.)
- 46 Tummy muscles
- 49 Compute a sum
- 50 Remove tangles
- 53 Introduction
- 56 Libertine
- 58 Withered
- 59 Novelist Umberto —
- 60 Ponder
- 61 Lyric poems
- 62 Lair
- 63 Kind of portrait

DOWN

- 1 Jazz genre
- 2 Ostrich relatives
- 3 Per person
- 4 Sigmund or Anna
- 5 Villain’s cry
- 6 Thrilled
- 7 A Ryder

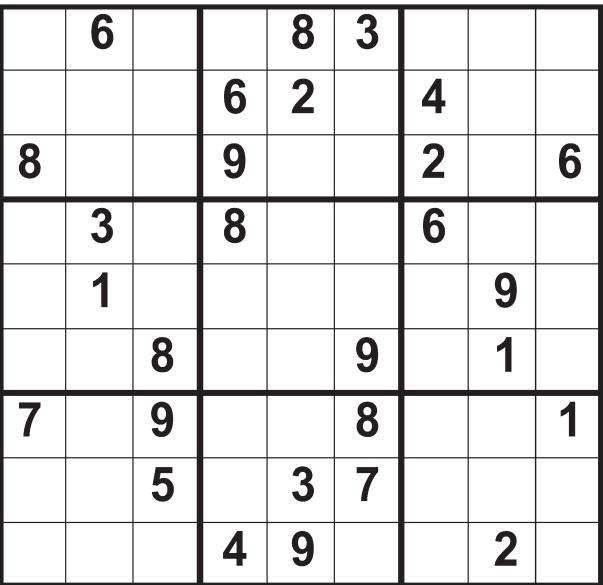
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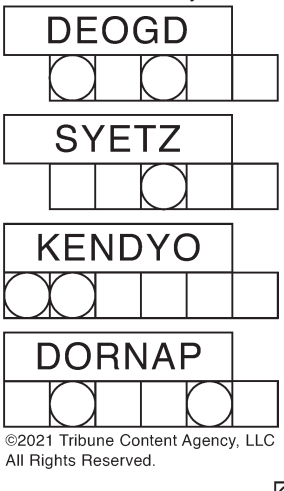
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How to play: Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9.

PREVIOUS SOLUTION								
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6	2	8	1	3	4	7	5	9
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2	7	4	3	5	9	8	1	6
1	9	6	4	7	8	2	3	5
8	3	5	2	1	6	9	7	4

JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.



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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek



Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Print the answer here:



(Answers Monday)

Yesterday’s Jumbles: GRUNT UNITY SYRUPY UNLESS
Answer: There was a nasal passages seminar, so the medical students said — SIGN US UP

THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane



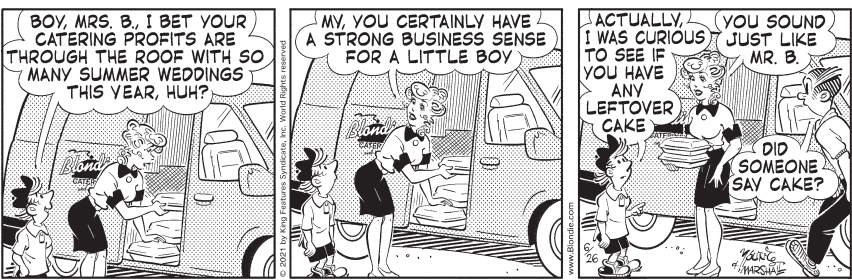
“Ooooh! She has THORNS in her feet!”

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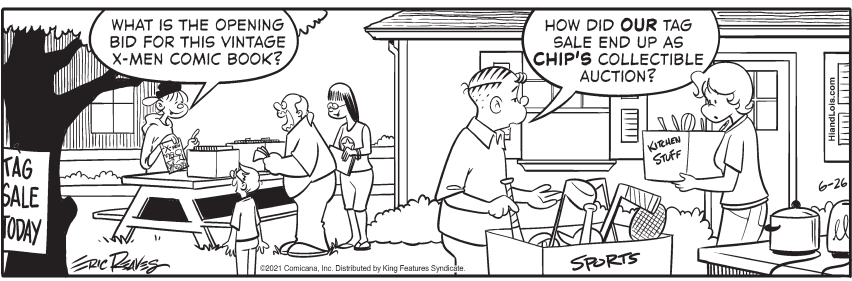
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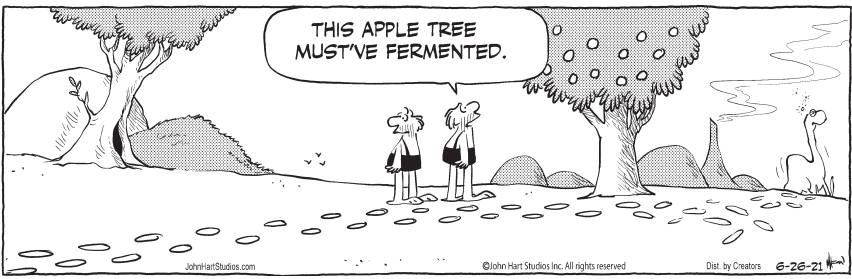
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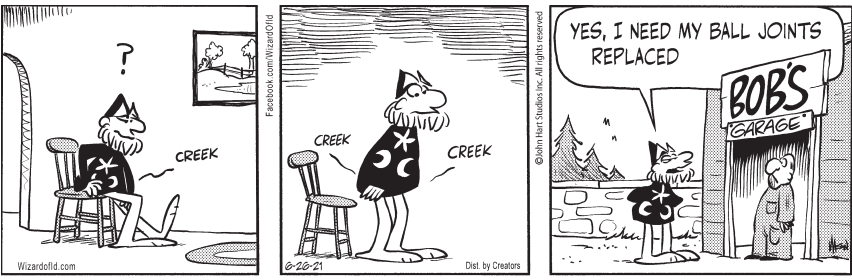
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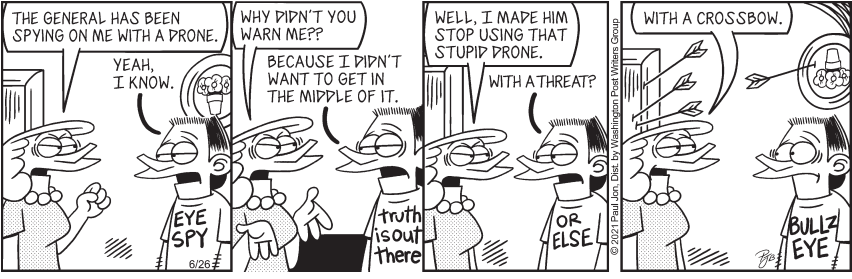
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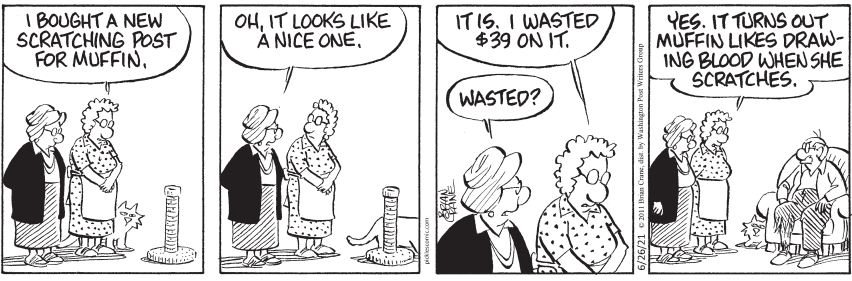
GARFIELD



FORT KNOX



PICKLES



We must guard against being easily entertained

Q: My professor is teaching the importance of global change. My pastor says we shouldn’t be worldly-minded. What is the difference? – G.W.

A: The promoters of change offer a grand vision of world unity. Globalists and international affairs specialists believe they can change the world. But worldliness is actually a spirit, an atmosphere and influence permeating the whole of life and human society, and it needs to be guarded against constantly and strenuously. The Bible says that we are to love “not” the things of the world (1 John 2:15).

Many Christians have left their first love as described in the book of Revelation. Many are neither hot nor cold; they are lukewarm concerning the things of God, needing nothing from Him. We must

guard against being easily entertained. Many churchgoers want short messages that bring good feelings instead of conviction that will drive us to our knees.

The enticement for many is this idea of worldliness; seeking things that the world offers. There are certain elements of daily life, which are not sinful in themselves, but they have a tendency to lead to sin. Daily activities like what we read, how we dress, and what we watch can be helpful, but if abused these things can bring about sin and cause

havoc in our lives. Thinking about the necessities of life and taking care of your family is absolutely essential, but this can easily degenerate into anxiety and then, as Christ reminds us, it can choke the seed of truth in the heart.

The Bible is full of hope for those who will take the truth to heart. “There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free” (Romans 8:1-2).

CELEBRITY CIPHER

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

“S’H WNSKA PNHJURSKA S ZNXJ UN
WN. HM CSOJ LKW YSWP LTJ SK ANNW
PRLBJ. CRLU SP URJTJ KNU UN VJ
RLBBM LVNIU?” — DRTSP N’WNKKJZZ

Previous Solution: “It’s much easier to play supporting roles because that’s what I do in my life: I support my son.” — Frances McDormand

TODAY’S CLUE: A s!enb X

Pair of Spartans earn USTFCCCA all-region nods

Senior Hochstetler, sophomore Richardson honored

By DILLON BENDER

All-region honors for the 2021 NCAA Division III Outdoor Track & Field season were announced by the U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association

(USTFCCCA) following the conclusion of the regular season. Top-five individuals in each event from each region earned all-region honors, in addition to each of the members of a top-three ranked relay team.

Only USTFCCCA member programs are eligible for awards. Manchester University had a pair of Spartans garner All-Great Lakes Region accolades this spring. Senior thrower Brian Hochstetler, from Elkhart and Concord High School, was named All-Great Lakes Region in the men's shot put. Hochstetler's best mark in the

event came at St. Francis Fighting Chance Invite in Illinois. His mark of 15.32m ranked fifth in the Great Lakes Region this spring and stands as the third-best mark in school history. Sophomore Thomas Richardson, from Ladoga and Southmont High School, also earned All-Great Lakes Region honors from the USTFC-

CA this spring. Richardson's honor came in the 3000m steeplechase, where he ranked fourth in the region during the outdoor circuit with a top time of 9:24.07 set at St. Francis Fighting Chance Invitational. His time also ranks as the third-best time in Manchester history. *Dillon Bender is the sports information director for Manchester University.*



Smiley N. Pool / The Dallas Morning News / TNS

Now-former Dallas coach Rick Carlisle (encourages his players (from top), guard Jalen Brunson (13), guard Trey Burke (3), guard Luka Doncic (77), center Kristaps Porzingis (6) and forward Tim Hardaway Jr. (11) during a timeout in the fourth quarter of a loss to the Los Angeles Clippers in game seven of an NBA playoff series on June 6. Carlisle will return to coach the Indiana Pacers next season.

Rick Carlisle takes over Pacers for 2nd time after leaving Mavericks

By MICHAEL MAROT

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — When Kevin Pritchard hired a new coach in October, he took a calculated risk. This time, the Indiana Pacers president of basketball operations went for the known commodity. Pritchard hired longtime Dallas Mavericks coach Rick Carlisle on Thursday, reuniting the 61-year-old with the team that helped relaunch his head coaching career almost two decades ago. “Rick is a proven winner with a championship and will be a Hall of Fame coach,” Pritchard said in a statement. “He has demonstrated throughout his career an ability to build something with sustainable success. He has great respect for our franchise and our fans from his previous times here. We are very happy to welcome him back to Indiana.”

Clearly, the Pacers believe Carlisle can bring stability to a veteran team that battled a severe rash of injuries last season. The result was a losing record and their first playoff absence in six years.

Carlisle will get a chance to make a quick fix with the same organization he led from 2003-07 and took to the Eastern Conference finals in his first season with the team.

This time, he becomes the third Pacers coach in less than 12 months.

Nate McMillan was fired in August following his fourth straight first-round playoff exit, just weeks after signing a contract extension. His re-

Source: Mavs pick Kidd after Carlisle

DALLAS (AP) — Jason Kidd is coming back to Dallas again, this time to replace the coach he won a championship with as the point guard of the Mavericks 10 years ago.

A person with direct knowledge of the agreement said Kidd and the Mavericks agreed on a contract Friday, eight days after Rick Carlisle resigned abruptly in the wake of general manager Donnie Nelson's departure. The person spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity because the deal hasn't been announced.

Carlisle gave ESPN an unsolicited endorsement of Kidd for his old job because of the impact Carlisle thought Kidd could have on Luka Doncic, the sensational young point guard who carries the hopes of the Mavericks.

The Mavericks have also found Nelson's replacement in Nike executive Nico Harrison, who will carry the titles of GM and president of basketball operations, the person told AP. Harrison was on board with the Kidd hiring, the person said.

It's already the third head coaching stop for the 48-year-old Kidd, who took Brooklyn to the second round in his debut in 2013-14 before bolting for Milwaukee. Kidd was fired during his fourth season with the Bucks after first-round exits two of his first three years. He was 139-152 with the Bucks after going 44-38 with the Nets.

Kidd, who is coming off two seasons on Frank Vogel's staff with the Los Angeles Lakers, had two stints as a player in Dallas, the second highlighted by the franchise's only title when he directed the offense that ran through star Dirk Nowitzki. His career started with the Mavericks as the No. 2 overall pick in the 1994 draft.

placement, Nate Bjorkgren, lasted one tumultuous season in his first NBA head coaching gig.

“I wanted to take a risk,” Pritchard said while announcing Bjorkgren's firing June 9. “I wanted to take a chance and have something that had a lower floor but a higher ceiling. This year, maybe it's skewed down and we look at something a little bit different.”

The Pacers know exactly

what they're getting in Carlisle—a disciplined, details-oriented, old-school coach who spent three seasons as Larry Bird's assistant during the most successful era in franchise history. Those traits could help the Pacers defense, which allowed 115.3 points per game and was ranked 25th last season.

The bigger question might be whether Carlisle is the right fit.

After an embarrassing sea-

son-ending loss to Washington in the play-in round, Pritchard acknowledged Pacers players described Bjorkgren as a micromanager in end-of-season interviews. The problems even spilled into public view during an in-game shouting match between backup center Goga Bitadze and assistant coach Greg Foster amid reports of locker-room drama.

Carlisle had similar issues in his 13th and final season in Dallas.

Two-time All-Star Luka Doncic occasionally showed his anger by making animated gestures toward the coach during games and there were reports of “simmering tension” between the two before Carlisle resigned last week. Team owner Mark Cuban said Carlisle made the decision to leave, one day after general manager Donnie Nelson also left.

With all five starters under contract, Pritchard believes the Pacers can contend quickly — with a healthy roster, a stronger defense and better coaching. He also wants to see more leadership from the players.

“We've got a decent team and we're trying to go to good, and those players will give us some feedback,” Pritchard said two weeks ago. “You've got to push players. You've got to get them to be their best. That's what great coaches do. Individually, I really like the locker room. During exit meetings, I was probably as hard as I've ever been on a group that someone has to be a vocal leader. Right now, I'm not sure who that is.”

Williams withdraws from NBA draft, will return to Purdue

WEST LAFAYETTE (AP) — Purdue said Thursday that center Trevion Williams has decided to withdraw from the NBA draft and will return to campus for his senior season this fall.

Williams was a first-team all-Big Ten selection last season and one of five finalists for the Kareem Abdul-Jabbar Award, which goes to the nation's top college center, when he averaged 15.5 points, 9.1 rebounds and 2.3 assists while recording 11 double-doubles.

“I would like to thank the organizations that gave me the time to work out for them and to go through this process with them the last couple of weeks,” Williams said. “The feedback and instruction that I received will be very beneficial as I continue

to improve as a basketball player. I am excited to return to Purdue for my senior season, to earn my degree and help this program in any way possible.”

The 6-foot-10 Chicago native was a first-team all-Big Ten selection last season and his six 20-point games ranked No. 3 nationally among major-college players.

Williams' return means Purdue will have all five starters back from a team that went 18-10 and earned a No. 4 seed in the NCAA Tournament.

“Trevion has put in a lot of time on getting his body right and working on his game,” coach Matt Painter said. “He will obviously have a big role for us next season.”

SCOREBOARD

MLB				
AMERICAN LEAGUE				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Tampa Bay	45	31	.592	—
Boston	44	31	.587	½
New York	40	34	.541	4
Toronto	38	35	.521	5½
Baltimore	23	52	.307	21½
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	44	30	.595	—
Cleveland	41	31	.569	2
Kansas City	33	40	.452	10½
Detroit	32	43	.427	12½
Minnesota	31	43	.419	13
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	47	28	.627	—
Oakland	46	31	.597	2
Seattle	39	37	.513	8½
Los Angeles	36	38	.486	10½
Texas	27	48	.360	20
Thursday's Games				
N.Y. Yankees 8, Kansas City 1				
Oakland 5, Texas 1				
Toronto 9, Baltimore 0				
Tampa Bay 1, Boston 0				
Houston 12, Detroit 3				
Cleveland 4, Minnesota 1				
Saturday's Games				
Cleveland (Hentges 1-1) at Minnesota (Maeda 3-2), 2:10 p.m.				
Seattle (Gilbert 2-2) at Chicago White Sox (Lynn 7-3), 2:10 p.m.				
Baltimore (Akin 0-3) at Toronto (Ryu 6-4), 3:07 p.m.				
Kansas City (TBD) at Texas (Gibson 5-0), 4:05 p.m.				
Houston (McCullers Jr. 4-1) at Detroit (Mize 4-4), 4:10 p.m.				
L.A. Angels (Cobb 5-2) at Tampa Bay (McClanahan 2-2), 4:10 p.m.				
N.Y. Yankees (Montgomery 3-1) at Boston (Evoldi 7-4), 7:15 p.m.				
Oakland (Montas 7-7) at San Francisco (Wood 6-3), 10:05 p.m.				
Sunday's Games				
Houston at Toronto, 1:07 p.m.				
Boston at Detroit, 1:10 p.m.				
L.A. Angels at Tampa Bay, 1:10 p.m.				
N.Y. Yankees at Boston, 1:10 p.m.				
Cleveland at Minnesota, 2:10 p.m.				
Seattle at Chicago White Sox, 2:10 p.m.				
Kansas City at Texas, 2:35 p.m.				
Oakland at San Francisco, 4:05 p.m.				
NATIONAL LEAGUE				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	38	31	.551	—
Washington	36	36	.500	3½
Philadelphia	34	37	.479	5
Atlanta	35	39	.473	5½
Miami	31	43	.419	9½
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	42	33	.560	—
Milwaukee	42	33	.560	—
Cincinnati	37	36	.507	4
St. Louis	36	39	.480	6
Pittsburgh	27	46	.370	14
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
San Francisco	48	26	.649	—
Los Angeles	44	31	.587	4½
San Diego	45	32	.584	4½
Colorado	31	44	.413	17½
Arizona	21	55	.276	28
Thursday's Games				
Cincinnati 5, Atlanta 3				
Washington 7, Miami 3				
Pittsburgh 8, St. Louis 2				
Chicago Cubs 4, L.A. Dodgers 0				
Saturday's Games				
(Sabaker 4-6) at St. Louis				

(Wainwright 5-5), 2:15 p.m.
Atlanta (Anderson 5-3) at Cincinnati (Castillo 2-10), 4:10 p.m.
Colorado (Senzatela 2-7) at Milwaukee (Houser 4-5), 4:10 p.m.
Philadelphia (Eflin 2-6) at N.Y. Mets (deGrom 7-2), 4:10 p.m.
Washington (Corbin 5-5) at Miami (Thompson 1-2), 4:10 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Mills 3-1) at L.A. Dodgers (Urias 9-3), 7:15 p.m.
Oakland (Montas 7-7) at San Francisco (Wood 6-3), 10:05 p.m.
Arizona (Kelly 3-7) at San Diego (Lamett 2-2), 10:10 p.m.
Sunday's Games
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Philadelphia at N.Y. Mets, 1:10 p.m.
Washington at Miami, 1:10 p.m.
Colorado at Milwaukee, 2:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh at St. Louis, 2:15 p.m.
Oakland at San Francisco, 4:05 p.m.
Arizona at San Diego, 4:10 p.m.
Chicago Cubs at L.A. Dodgers, 7:08 p.m.

NBA

CONFERENCE FINALS (Best-of-7; x-if necessary)

Atlanta 1, Milwaukee 0
Wednesday, June 23: Atlanta 116, Milwaukee 113
Friday, June 25: Atlanta at Milwaukee
Sunday, June 27: Milwaukee at Atlanta, 8:30 p.m.
Tuesday, June 29: Milwaukee at Atlanta, 8:30 p.m.
x-Thursday, July 1: Atlanta at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.
x-Saturday, July 3: Milwaukee at Atlanta, 8:30 p.m.
x-Monday, July 5: Atlanta at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.
Phoenix 2, L.A. Clippers 1
Sunday, June 20: Phoenix 120, L.A. Clippers 114
Tuesday, June 22: Phoenix 104, L.A. Clippers 103
Thursday, June 24: L.A. Clippers 106, Phoenix 92
Saturday, June 26: Phoenix at L.A. Clippers, 9 p.m.
Monday, June 28: L.A. Clippers at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
x-Wednesday, June 30: Phoenix at L.A. Clippers, 9 p.m.
x-Friday, July 2: L.A. Clippers at Phoenix, 9 p.m.

NHL

CONFERENCE FINALS (Best-of-7; x-if necessary)

Montreal 4, Vegas 2
Monday, June 14: Vegas 4, Montreal 1
Wednesday, June 16: Montreal 3, Vegas 2
Friday, June 18: Montreal 3, Vegas 2, OT
Sunday, June 20: Vegas 2, Montreal 1, OT
Tuesday, June 22: Montreal 4, Vegas 1
Thursday, June 24: Montreal 3, Vegas 2, OT
Tampa Bay 3, N.Y. Islanders 3
Sunday, June 13: N.Y. Islanders 2, Tampa Bay 1
Tuesday, June 15: Tampa Bay 4, N.Y. Islanders 2
Thursday, June 17: Tampa Bay 2, N.Y. Islanders 1
Saturday, June 19: N.Y. Islanders 3, Tampa Bay 2
Monday, June 21: Tampa Bay 8, N.Y. Islanders 0
Wednesday, June 23: N.Y. Islanders 3, Tampa Bay 2, OT
Friday, June 25: N.Y. Islanders at Tampa Bay

‘Iron Man’ racer, 5-time NASCAR champion Jack Ingram dies at 84

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Jack Ingram, a hard-hosed, hot-tempered racer who won five NASCAR championships and more than 300 races, has died, the NASCAR Hall of Fame said Friday. He was 84.

No details were released by the Hall of Fame. A 2014 inductee, Ingram lived in the Asheville area and had been hospitalized in May.

“Jack was a fixture at short tracks across the Southeast most days of the week, racing anywhere and everywhere. He dominated the Late Model Sportsman division like few others,” NASCAR chairman Jim France said.

“Jack was an ‘old school racer’ and his work on his own car helped propel him to victory lane hundreds of times. Of our current 58 NASCAR Hall of Fame members, he is one of only six that was elected based on his career and contributions in the grassroots level of our sport.”

Nicknamed the “Iron Man” for his relentless pursuit on the race track, Ingram dominated NASCAR Sportsman competition during the 1970s. He won three consecutive championships from 1972 to 1974 and continued to compete when the series underwent a transformation and became what is now known as

the Xfinity Series.

Prior to Kyle Busch, who won his 100th career Xfinity Series race last week, Ingram was considered the greatest driver in history for NASCAR's second-tier series. He won two championships when the series was called the Busch Series, including the inaugural 1982 title.

“Tough as nails. Old school. Lots of respect for him and that era he performed in,” Dale Earnhardt Jr. posted on social media.

A driver used to racing 80-some events a year, Ingram said the reformatting Busch Series with its 29 events “was like taking a holiday.”

Ingram won a series-high seven times while winning the 1982 title. He beat fellow North Carolinian Sam Ard for that championship by 49 points.

“NASCAR has lost a true racer's racer,” Hall of Fame director Winston Kelley said.

Ard beat Ingram in 1983 and 1984, but Ingram won his fifth title in 1985. In addition to the two runner-up finishes to Ard, Ingram finished third in the standings in 1986 and fourth in '87.

His record 31 series victories stood until Mark Martin passed him in 1997. Busch has since passed Martin

for the all-time mark.

Ingram ended his career with 122 top-five and 164 top-10 finishes in 275 starts on the second-tier series.

“He was known unilaterally as ‘The Iron Man’ for his relentless, hard-driving style to win, along with the incredible schedule he kept, crisscrossing the country racing wherever there was a checkered flag to be captured,” Kelley said. “Ingram owned, built and worked on the cars himself and although his talent could have allowed him to compete in the premier series of NASCAR, he chose to stay in the series he knew and loved best.”



ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Gospel Light Assembly of God, 347 Southwood Drive. Pastor Neil Jeffrey. Sunday School 9:45am (all ages). Morning worship service 10:30am. Evening service 6pm. Wednesday midweek service 7pm; Kids' Korral Wednesday 7pm. Youth meeting 7pm (ages 12-19).

Sweetwater Assembly of God, 2551 SR 114 E, North Manchester. (260) 982-6179. Sunday worship 9am & 10:45am. Sunday evening outreach groups & youth ministry 5-7pm. Wednesday 6:30pm adult/teen bible study, 6:30pm Kidz Zone (K thru 6th grade). All worship services streaming online and on our Facebook page.

BAPTIST

Emmanuel Free Will Baptist, 129 Southwood Drive. Pastor Terry Hinds. (260) 563-3009. Sunday School 9:30am. Sunday Worship 10:30am & 6pm; Children's Church 10:30am. Wednesday morning prayer service 11am. Wednesday Prayer meeting 6pm. Transportation available. Sunday worship services streaming on our Facebook page

Southside Free Will Baptist, 360 Columbus Street. Pastor Tim Webb. Sunday School 10am. Worship Service 11am. Sunday Evening 6pm. Wednesday Evening 6pm. Sunday worship services streaming online

Wabash Free Will Baptist Church, 1056 Erie Street. Wednesday evening prayer meeting 6pm. Sunday School 10am, Church 11am; evening service 6pm.

CATHOLIC

St. Bernard Catholic Church, corner of Cass & Sinclair. Father Levi Nkwocha. Masses: Masses: Saturday 5:30 p.m. and Sunday 9:30 a.m.; Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 5:30 p.m. and Tuesday and Thursday at 8:15 a.m. Face masks and social distancing required.

St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Main Street in Lagro, Welcomes You Back! New Service Time 11:00 AM Sunday, October 4, Sunday November 1 and Sunday December 6. In keeping with COVID-19 State Rules, please wear a mask and socially distance. Let Us Worship Together.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Christian Heritage Church, 2776 River Road. (260) 569-7710. Pastor Tim Prater. Sunday 8:30am. Radio Ministry 95.9 WKUZ. Sunday School 9:30am. Morning Service 10:30am. Sunday evening 6pm. Wednesday evening 6pm. Online services on Sunday at 10:30 am and Wednesday 6:00 pm

LaFontaine Christian Church, 202 Bruner Pike, LaFontaine. Minister Brad Wright. (765) 981-2101. Worship 9am & 10:30am, Nursery & Jr. Church available. Online Services available on our website

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Church of Christ, Wabash (corner of N Wabash Street and US 24). Evangelist Josh Fennell (260) 563-8234. Sunday School 9am. Morning Worship 10am. Evening Worship 6:30pm. Wednesday Service 7pm. Wednesday Kid's Jam 7pm.

CHURCH OF GOD

First Church of God, 525 N. Miami Street. Pastor Robert Rensberger. (260) 563-5346. Sunday School at 9:15am, for all ages. Continental breakfast at 10am. Sunday Morning Worship is at 10:30am. Nursery care is available during worship service. Stair lift available.

CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

Wabash Church of the Brethren, 645 Bond Street (off Falls Avenue). Pastor Doug Veal. (260) 563-5291. Wherever you are on life's journey, come join us as we continue the work of Jesus... Peacefully, Simply, Together. Sunday School 9:30am. Worship 10:30am. Children's church and nursery available during worship. Online Service through website or conference call.

DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

Wabash Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), 110 W. Hill St., Wabash; Stephen Eberhard, Minister; phone: 260-563-4179; website: www.wabashchristian.org. Worship Service 9:30 a.m. Nursery provided. Find us on YouTube and Facebook.

FRIENDS CHURCH

Wabash Friends Church, 3563 S State Rd 13. (260) 563-8452. Lead Pastor, Brandon Eaton. Join us for in-person worship at 8:30AM or 10:45AM, or via live-stream on Facebook at 10:45AM. Children's programming available infants - 6th grade. Sunday school for all ages at 9:45AM. Youth (7th-12th) Sunday evenings at 6:30PM.

INDEPENDENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Bachelor Creek Church of Christ, 4 miles north of Wabash on St. Rd. 15; phone 260-563-4109; website: bachelorcreek.com; Worship Minister - Michael Eaton, Student Minister - David Diener, Children's Minister - Tyler Leland, Middle School & Small Groups Minister - Nate Plyler, Next Steps & Outreach Minister - Ryan Keim, Women's Director- Taylor McFarland, Early Childhood Director - Janet Legesse. Worship 9:15 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.

LUTHERAN

Living Faith Lutheran Church (NALC), 242 S. Huntington St., Wabash, IN. Worship begins each Sunday morning at 10:10 a.m. with Bible study classes for all ages at 9:00 a.m. Everyone is welcome to join us for worship. Worship Services live streamed on our website. www.LivingFaithWabash.org

Trinity Lutheran Church (ELCA), 1500 S Wabash Street. Pastor Dr. Kent Young. (260) 563-6626. We worship our Lord each Sunday at 9:30am with Gospel-based message and Holy Communion. There is a time of fellowship and refreshments immediately following the service. We are handicap accessible and everyone is welcome at Trinity! tlcwabash@gmail.com.

UNITED METHODIST

North Manchester United Methodist Church, 306 E Second Street, North Manchester. Pastor Steve Bahrt. (260) 982-7537. Worship Service 8:15am & 10:30am. Coffee Fellowship 9am. Sunday School 9:30am.

Richvalley United Methodist Church, 290 N Jefferson. (260) 563-1033. Pastor Jack Suits. Worship service begins at 9:30am. Nursery available. Sunday School begins at 10:45am for all age.




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